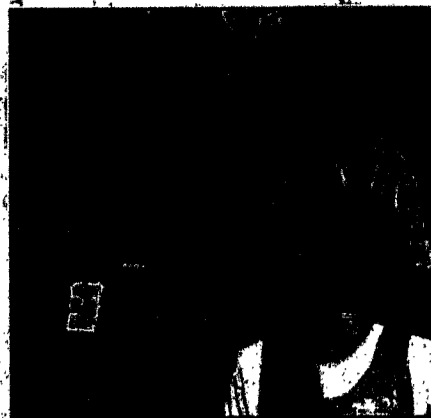


Home & Garden Show begins

The Home Builders of the Mississippi Coast present their annual product show.

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Chops & the Champ

9-year-old basketball phenom Aaliyah Williamson and Coach Robert "Chops" Williams.

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Bay P.D. dinner to benefit Relay for Life

The Bay St. Louis Police Department is sponsoring a 'Chicken dinner with trimmings' benefit for the American Cancer Society "Relay for Life" on Saturday, April 24, 2004 at the Depot in Bay St. Louis from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Donation, \$5. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the Bay P.D. or at the door. Delivery available: 493-2555 or 493-5652.

Kiln VFW Dance Night

Kiln VFW will sponsor a dance this Saturday, 9 p.m. to 1 p.m., featuring music by Alan & the Hoda Cats. \$5 per person. BYOB. Set-ups available.

Comedy Night this Saturday at St. Clare

The St. Clare PTO will celebrate Comedy Night this Saturday, April 24, beginning at 8 p.m. at the school cafeteria, featuring nationally-known comedian Mutzie. Tickets are \$8 per person. Call 467-7071.

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A PLACE OF ART



Mary Alice Lee and Cherle Langstrom, both of Jackson, were in town to participate in a week-long painting workshop at Turning Leaf Lodge Art Studio. The group moved to a new location each day. On Tuesday they set up their easels at the Bay St. Louis Train Depot. Below: Pat Walker-Fields, resident artist of Turning Leaf Lodge escorted students on a week-long, on location, painting workshop featuring guest teacher, master artist Steve Gerhartz.

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

The ladies painting outside and around the Bay St. Louis Depot on Tuesday were worthy of being a portrait themselves. The group was a part of a week long painting workshop held by The Turning Leaf Lodge Art Studio located on the Wolf River.

Guest instructor was master artist Steve Gerhartz from Wisconsin. Escorting the group on their field trips throughout the area was resident artist Pat Walker-Fields.

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Armed robbers caught in minutes

Suspects hung around after hitting E-Z Serve

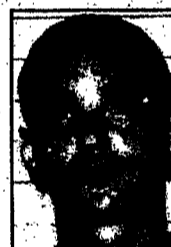
ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

Two armed robbery suspects were apprehended in the Pearlinton area minutes following the robbery of the A-Z Quick Serve early Wednesday, according to Sheriff Steve Garber.

"The sheriff's office received a call at 2:34 a.m. reporting the armed robbery. At 2:59 a.m., Joseph Gilbert Williams, 21 of Pearlinton and Wade Mohr, Kenner, LA, were arrested as suspects



Williams



Mohr

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Operation 4/20 busts dope den

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

Area police officers interrupted what they characterize as a pot-smokers' tradition Tuesday in "Operation 4-20," arresting a Bay St. Louis man and catching several other just after they "lit up."



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Officers of the Bay-Waveland Narcotics Task Force and the Mississippi

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'Find yourself' at Bay historic photo exhibit

Display continues through Friday afternoon

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Take a chance and go find yourself. Lots of people have this week at the Hancock County Historical Society's presentation of the photographs of Anthony J. Scafidi. The show will continue through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day at the Bay St. Louis Train

Depot. Many of the 350 to 400 photographs on display were taken during the 1940's and 1950's, though some may be from other decades.

The stream of visitors to the show so far this week has been steady. Many visitors, locals who

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Rosanne Englehorn, who now lives in Pass Christian, found a photograph of herself when she was a second-grader from the Bay High School May Festival. The display continues through Friday at the Bay St. Louis Depot.

Echo staff photo by Bennie Shallbetter

Hancock County Salutes Citizens & Businesses of Year annual gala set April 30 at Casino Magic

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lose to 500 business, industry and community leaders from across the Mississippi Coast will gather Friday, April 30, to Salute Hancock County's Business & Industry during the annual gala at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis.

The gala is sponsored by the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, the Hancock County Tourism Development Bureau, and Casino Magic Bay St. Louis.

Other supporting sponsors of the gala include American Medical Response Ambulance Service, city of Bay St. Louis, city of Waveland, Hancock County Board of Supervisors, Prestige Printing, Sea Coast Echo and The Sun Herald.

Tish Williams, manager of the gala for the sponsors, said the event is already at a near sell-out. Williams said that the response to

"Annually, Hancock County has a unique opportunity to bring small business together with big business, local and state government together with the federal government, and the tourism industry together with industrial leaders for one common goal: to recognize the men and women of Hancock County who are making a difference for our area. When people get together, great things happen."

Tish Williams,
Hancock County Chamber of Commerce director

this important event has been inspiring.

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area," she said. "When people get together, great things happen."

Lauded as one of the fastest growing areas in the state, the regional economists call Hancock County a bright spot in the Coastal economy, buoyed by continued activity at NASA's Stennis Space Center and growing tourism amenities.

The evening begins at 6 p.m. with a reception, followed by a seated served

dinner in the Cypress Cove Ballroom by the professional staff of Casino Magic Bay St. Louis.

During the awards presentation the following businesses and citizens will be recognized: Businesses of the Year: City of Bay St. Louis - Bookends Bookstore; Diamondhead - Diamondhead Cleaners; Kiln - Coastal Hardware & Rental Co.; Waveland - Rickey's Bar & Grill. Tourism Person of the Year: Michael Reinika Cuevas, city of Bay St. Louis; Tourism Business of the Year: Casino Magic Bay St. Louis; Industry of the Year: Polychemie, Inc. Award of Excellence: Lockheed Martin. Outstanding Citizens and Citizen of the Year: Sue Ashman, Ashman-Mollere Realty, Inc.; John F. Auderer Jr.; Charles B. Benvenuti, CPA; Retired U.S. Army Lt. Col. Randolph C. Bourgeois; David A. Geiger, The Boeing Company; Nicholas

McLeod Haas; Attorney at Law; John Hall, Coldwell Banker-Alfonso Realty; Louis D. Hall; Martha Claire Haun, Grannyl.com and Creative Health Resources; Marian T. Martin, Gulfside United Methodist Assembly; David Mayley, Pest Control Specialists, Inc.

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First Newcomers Coffee set April 25 at Four Seasons Nursery in the Bay



Pictured from left are Debble Donaldson, Dewey Bobinger, Claire Haun and Sharon Lynn.

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The Hancock County Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the first quarterly Newcomers Coffee on April 25 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Four Seasons Nursery will host the event at 3250 Longfellow Drive in Bay St. Louis.

The purpose of this event is to welcome newcomers to Hancock County, to provide a personal contact to

assist in making the moving transition a pleasurable event and to offer networking opportunities for new residents.

The premier coffee will feature local horticulture including planting guides and recommendations. Refreshments will highlight edible flower recipes.

For more information, contact the Chamber of Commerce at 228-467-9048.

Bike patrol a 'hit' at Second Saturday

The Bay's Bike Patrol was an instant hit at the April Second Saturday in Old Town, with officers answering questions, helping customers find parking areas and generally chatting with visitors and keeping an eye on things.

"Our officers did a great job and enjoyed themselves being an active part of the festivities," said Assistant Chief Dave Stepro.

Officer Brandon Normand and auxiliary officer, Mary Coster, represented the department on the bike patrol. Normand, who is relatively new to the

department said, "It was great fun, people were friendly and appreciated our presence. I deferred the local questions to Officer Coster who has been the area much longer than me and she really gave help to our visitors."

Bay Crafts was celebrating its 15th year anniversary during Second Saturday. When owner, Betsy Pincus, was asked about the patrol, she said, "I didn't get to see them, we were too busy, but as a merchant I'm always glad for a friendly police presence. It impresses our visitors and

gives them a greater sense of safety while they are in our downtown gallery and restaurant area."

The department can deploy up to four riders for special events or routine patrol.

The two-man team also patrolled the Washington Street beach area meeting with visitors and explaining some of the local rules for noise and litter. "We choose the friendly approach to visitors first to enforce our ordinances, but the bike patrol has full arrest authority and immediate officer back up if necessary,"

said Stepro.

Mayor Eddie Favre, pleased with the patrols first Second Saturday performance, said "We want residents and visitors to be safe all the time and while we can't have officers everywhere there are gatherings we try to cover as much area as possible, and the bike patrol gives us greater access and in a friendly way."

For more information about police safety programs, contact Stepro at 228-467-9221, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Favre lists 'gifts' to city on his birthday

BY MARY G. SEILEY
Staff Writer

Bay St. Louis City Council members burst into song Tuesday night, wishing Mayor Eddie Favre a happy 50th birthday. Two students observing the meeting's proceedings smiled, but didn't join in the singing.

For his part, Favre leaned back in his swivel chair and turned beet red as he chuckled in apparent embarrassment as the melody wafted through council chambers. Helium balloons hovered on the ceiling in the mayor's adjacent office, just off council's meeting area.

There were other moments during the meeting that brought smiles to the officials' faces:

- Favre announced that the city plans to re-institute a spring and summer series of concerts in the park adjacent to City Hall on Second Street. He said the concerts, which had been such a hit there in past years, more or less flubbed when the city moved the site to the Depot.

- Going back to the City Hall Park site, said Favre, should jumpstart the program. The mayor said tentative plans call for five concerts this year, beginning with one in May. Each will feature music and different types of food fare, he said.

- The Mississippi Municipal League will host a national conference for municipal league executive directors here in late July. Favre, president of the Mississippi league, said the event should draw 150 to 200 people to town, including directors and spouses from every state in the nation, possibly excepting Hawaii.

- The League event will kick off just as hundreds of softball World Series families are wrapping up games and related festivities here, said Favre.

- Opening day festivities for boys and girls' baseball leagues are set for Saturday morning, 8:30 a.m. at McDonald's Field and 11 a.m. at the city's sports complex. City Council members commented that the city's hotels and shopping facilities are already bustling with activity this spring.

Blessing of the Fleet is Sunday

The 28th Annual Blessing of the Fleet will be held April 25 in Pass Christian.

Events will begin at 1 p.m. in the East Harbor. Prizes and a money drawing will be available for all boats entered. Boats must be registered by noon. All boats are welcome.

For more information, call 228-452-3315.

Central Bible Church hosts Yard Sale

Central Bible Church will be having a yard sale of "Biblical" proportions on Saturday, April 24, from 7 a.m. until 2 p.m. Items for sale include furniture, clothing, books, collectibles, etc. All proceeds to benefit the Church's Building Program. Call (228) 467-0529 for more information.

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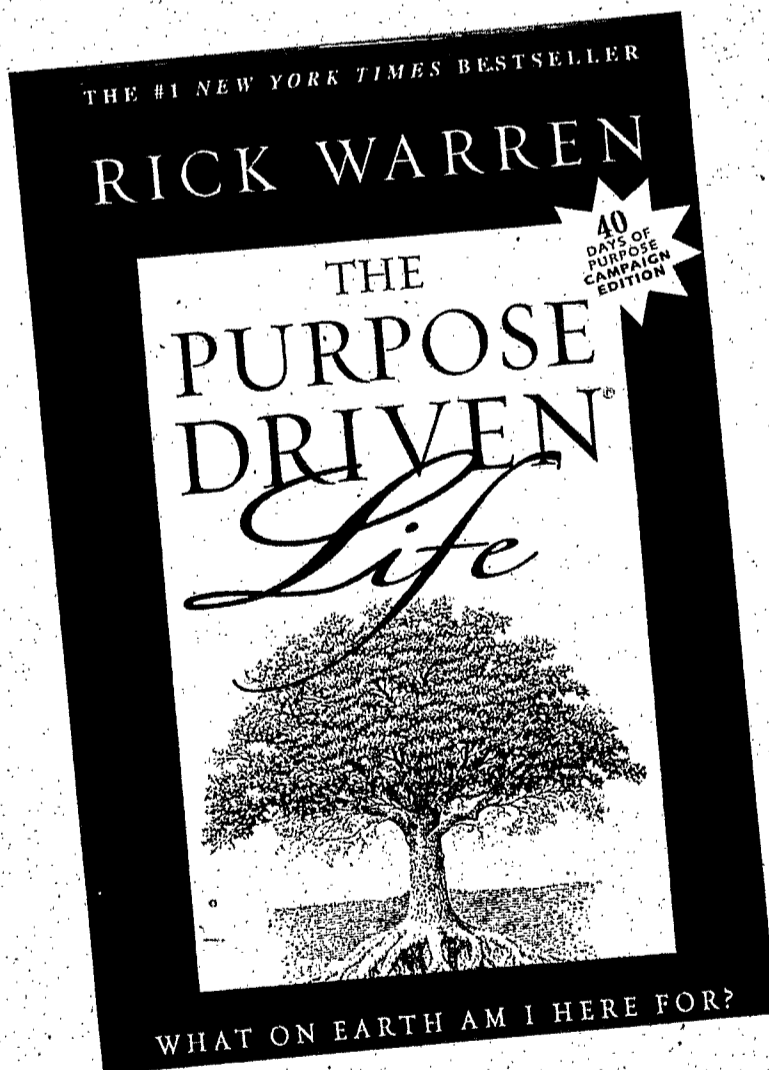


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Opinion

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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

A lot of excitement is going on this week at the Bay St. Louis Historic Depot.

Folks have been coming in and finding photos of themselves 40, 50 or so years ago.

The photos were taken by the late Anthony "Tony" Scafidi, and the negatives were received recently by the Hancock County Historical Society courtesy of his brother and sister-in-law, Sam and Barbara Scafidi.

Some 400 of the photos are on display, as Historical Society volunteers and executive director Charles Gray have been busy in recent weeks making copies of the negatives.

The photos will be on display through tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

If you have old photos, you should bring them along too, as the Historical Society would like to make copies of old photographs.

On Sunday morning I was talking to a couple who said they were leaving the next morning for a visit to see their grandchildren in China.

They said they really appreciate our web site, as it gives them an opportunity of keeping up with information on the local area while they are gone.

They go to China on an annual basis and said they can pull up The Echo's web site, which is very good.

The only thing they said they could get from other area media was the weather report, they guessed the other copy

is censored.

It is good to know The Echo's web site can be viewed so far away from home by folks.

I know copies of The Echo have been seen in many distant places across the world. Back before the Internet days, my cousin Irv Cuevas discovered a copy of The Echo in a Saudi Arabia library.

Bay-Waveland area residents need to remember that on Saturday morning they will have an opportunity to get rid of Non-Hazardous Household Rubbish and Debris and Tires.

The collection is set to take place at the old Wal-Mart parking lot, Highway 90, Waveland, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

This special collection is a project of the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce's Beautification Committee in cooperation with the Hancock County Board of Supervisors and Road Crews.

The County Road Crews will have a front-end loader and dump truck, etc. to carry away the items.

This is a good time to check your property and get rid of non-hazardous items.

I know a lot of folks have been asking about hazardous material collection. I know the Board of Supervisors and Gulf Regional Planning Commission have been working to secure a grant for such a collection, hopefully in the near future.

We will keep you abreast for that special collection too.

A patriotic reminder from a stranger

On one of my recent trips back from D.C. to Mississippi, I struck up a conversation with the gentleman sitting next to me on the plane.

He was from the Midwest and was heading to the Mississippi coast to enjoy the weather, golf, and casinos. We began talking about the war in Iraq and I told him the story of Spc. Carl Sampson.

Spc. Carl Sampson is a Mississippi National Guardsman from McNeil. I met Sampson when I visited injured guardsmen at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington.

Sampson, 35 years old with a wife and young son, was severely injured in Iraq when an artillery shell was detonated as his convoy



IN CONGRESS

By Representative
Gene Taylor

passed the tree it was hidden in. Sampson and four others were wounded.

The attack occurred in September. When I met Sampson in December he had not been awarded the Purple Heart.

This was unacceptable. The severity of his injuries went beyond anything his government could truly compensate him for. He deserved the recognition

and appreciation for his service and sacrifice. After bringing this injustice to the attention of the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Richard B. Meyers, Spc. Sampson was awarded his Purple Heart.

As I finished telling this to the gentlemen sitting next to me on the plane, I mentioned that there was a benefit fund established for Spc. Sampson and his fami-

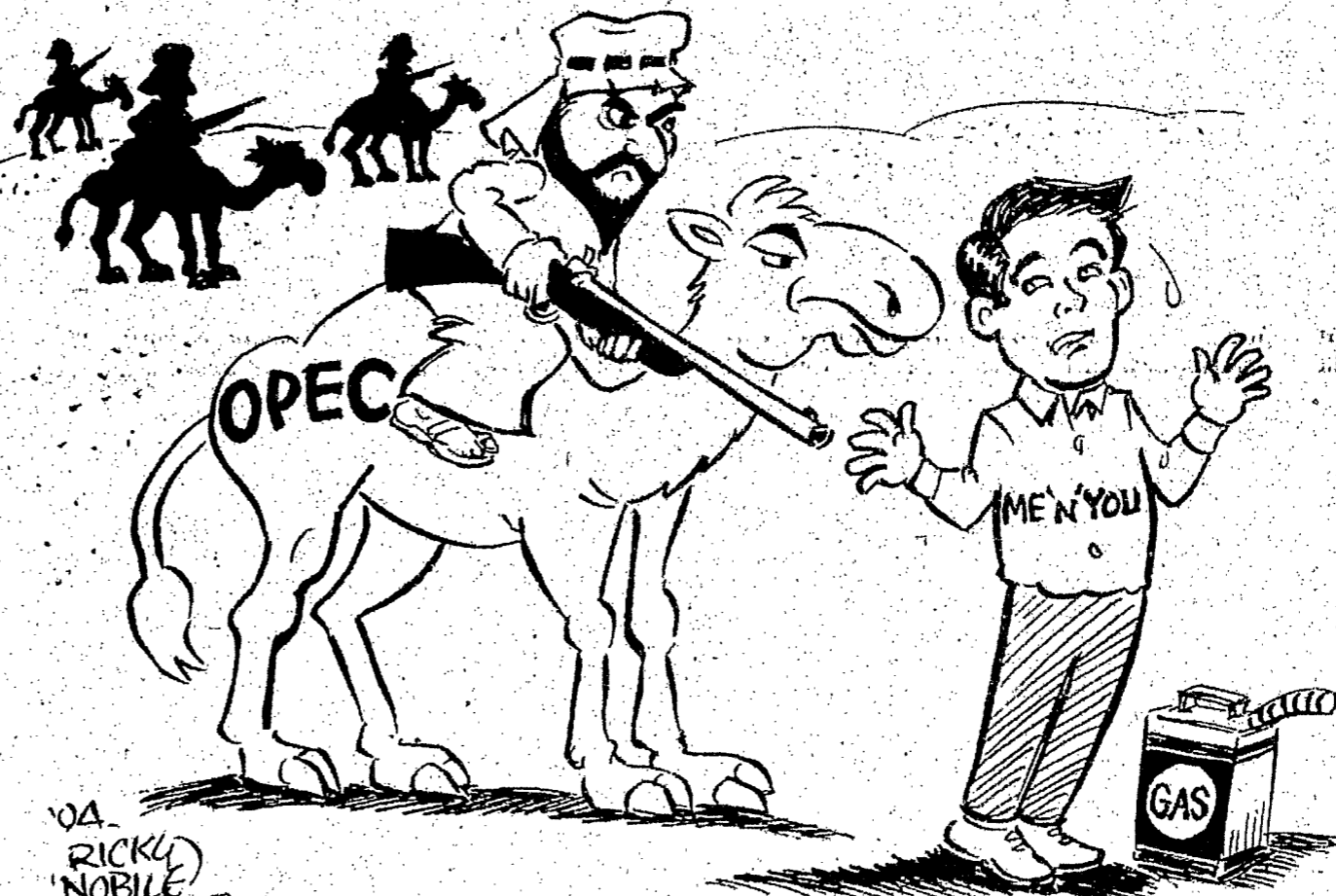
ly. Stepping off the plane in Gulfport, this man who had no connection to South Mississippi or Spc. Sampson, handed me \$100 to put in the Sampson fund. What a display of patriotism and appreciation! He was so impressed that the people of South Mississippi would take the time to honor our injured service members in such a meaningful way, he was inspired to do his part.

Today, the efforts of VA facilities in Washington D.C., New Orleans, and Biloxi are working to treat Carl Sampson.

His own courage and strength are reinforced by the amazing support for his recovery provided by the network of military family support groups in the area and the prayers of thou-

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FROM THE SENATE

By U.S. Senator
Trent Lott

Good for America, Good for Mississippi

Mississippi's defense community received good news in April. First we landed our second aircraft manufacturing plant in a year - this one a Northrop Grumman facility that will build unmanned helicopters for military use, craft which will help minimize military casualties and risks to civilians.

Mississippi also learned that Naval Station (NS) Pascagoula will be the home port for three new Coast Guard cutters. Those cutters will help secure America's Gulf Coast, and they're also another indica-

tion of the solid contribution of NS Pascagoula to our national security which I believe will keep this vital facility off the upcoming Pentagon base closure list.

Both of these announcements are good for our nation, and good for Mississippi.

Let's take the Northrop Grumman "announcement" first. During groundbreaking ceremonies at Pascagoula's airport on April 13, I joined Northrop Grumman CEO Dr. Ron Sugar in beginning construction for this company's latest investment in Mississippi - the "Fire

Scout" manufacturing plant. "Fire Scout" is a remotely-controlled aircraft.

It has no crew, but it has both surveillance and combat capabilities. It clandestinely can hover up to 20,000 feet over the battlefield using infrared sensors to track enemy targets, and it can aggressively fight the enemy up close with its laser guided weapons.

As we've seen in Iraq during the past week, this weapon is much needed in our War on Terror. Two American helicopters were shot down this week, causing the deaths of some of their crew. Civilians from

12 nations - including a contractor from Mississippi - were taken hostage by terrorists in Iraq.

In the future, "Fire Scout" can help minimize risks to military and civilian personnel. If a "Fire Scout" is shot down, no irreplaceable lives are lost. With "Fire Scout" on duty, it will mean fewer civilian contractors needed in the world's hot spots because "Fire Scout" also will be used to deliver critical medical, food and other supplies to soldiers or civilians.

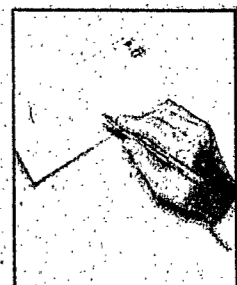
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Our letters policy

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Cheryl Bragg's 3rd grade class at Gulfview Elementary display the postcards they have received throughout the year from their trucker buddy James Wilkinson (pictured standing center in the back). Wilkinson recently spent the afternoon with the students answering questions about his travels across the United States as a truck driver.

SEA COAST ECHO
Since the beginning of the school year, first graders in Cheryl Bragg's class at Gulfview Elementary have been writing letters to their trucker buddy James Wilkinson with Roehl Transport.

As he travels across the United

States, Wilkinson mails postcards from various locations, and the students use them to track him as he travels through the 48 contiguous states.

Bragg signed up last summer with Trucker Buddy International, a non-profit organization dedicated to helping edu-

cate and mentor students via a pen-pal relationship with a professional truck driver.

By corresponding every week with their trucker buddy, the first graders enhance their skills in reading, writing, geography, mathematics, social studies, and history.

Arts Society awards grant to East Hancock



Diamondhead Performing Arts Society has awarded a \$500 grant to East Hancock Elementary for a Famous Artist Program. At the present time EHE does not have an art/art education teacher. The vision is to have a collection of famous artwork on display in the school library. The program will begin by focusing on six famous works of art and their artists. During the year, each grade level will study a specific artist, learn about his life and be able to recognize his/her style and famous pieces of art. Pictured above are Cheryl Ramseyer, principal of East Hancock Elementary; Judy Rech, DPAS, Scholarship chair; and Charles Garrison, WAS president.

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investment in Mississippi means our state goes one step further in solidifying our foundation for high-skilled, good-paying job recruitment.

The company will launch with around 50 jobs in a new 40,000-square-foot facility, but I expect both those numbers to grow. "Fire Scout" and American Eurocopter's upcoming manufacturing plant at the Golden Triangle Regional Airport are proof positive that Mississippi can attract good-paying, high-skilled jobs if we aggressively seek them.

I've worked to develop good relationships with key CEOs, and our state has chipped in by providing tax incentives, available sites, workforce training and other supportive mecha-

nisms that businesses need to compete. Let's keep it going.

Now let's look at the Coast Guard's decision to base three new Coast Guard cutters in our state. These ships are basically 180-foot vessels which the Coast Guard has acquired from the Navy.

There are five in all with important homeland security duties - three destined for Pascagoula and two to be stationed in San Diego.

The Pascagoula cutters will help protect major national assets like ports and military bases throughout the Gulf Region, and they'll also help secure industrial facilities like Pascagoula's Chevron Refinery and Ingalls Shipbuilding, shielding these national assets from

terrorist threats. Here's more good news: By homeporting these cutters, NS Pascagoula's status as a multi-mission installation is enhanced.

When considering bases for closure, military planners will note whether a base has multiple missions to different branches of service. It's something that could help keep this base and its many jobs, right here in Mississippi.

Of course, it's no guarantee, but it's a step in securing America's safety and Mississippi's economy.

Mississippians have learned that there are no guarantees. We know that to make our state a better place, we have to constantly evolve - changing our approach from being passive and just hoping jobs

and development will come to us, to a proactive enterprise where we actively promote our interests to the federal government and the business world. These are just two recent examples where what's good for our nation is good for Mississippi. It's up to us to find even more.

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sands of concerned Americans across South Mississippi.

This type of public support is a source of strength for the Sampson family and friends who are by his side through each step of his recovery.

The contributions of American soldiers throughout the history of this country are invaluable. Those who go to war under the American flag have changed the world forever. Never before has the world seen a soldier like the American soldier.

When our troops enter a country or city, our men and women in uniform are not there to rape, steal, and pillage.

They have a mission to deliver the freedom that allows the talents and ambitions of ordinary people to thrive and prosper. They have preserved our democracy and spread the good news of liberty all over the world.

Today, American soldiers are fighting in Iraq and their sacrifices remind us that freedom comes with a price. Ultimately, this war on terror will be won through the efforts of hard working, dedicated servicemen and servicewomen on

the ground in dangerous territories.

This past December we helped show our appreciation for their service when Carl Sampson was presented his Purple Heart. The story of this dedicated soldier is a powerful example of one man's devotion to his country.

Likewise, the story of this

kind gentleman from the Mid-West is a reminder of the support we must all have for those men and women in uniform.

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Bay Council challenges cost of Southern Regional plans

BY MARY G. SEILEY
Staff Writer

A change in plans that almost triples one engineering firm's fees didn't get off the ground this week when Bay St. Louis City Council took a long look at the math.

"The numbers don't add up," said Ward 1 council member Doug Seal. At-large council member Bill Taylor also balked.

"I can't vote on something I don't understand, and I don't understand this," Taylor said.

Council put off action for two weeks, after the mayor agreed that the numbers needed clarification.

At issue is a contract amendment which the Southern Regional Wastewater District has already approved for Digital Engineering & Imaging, Inc., for work on a 200,000 gallon-per-day sewage treatment plant serving Pearlinton. The firm wants

a total of \$197,900 in fees for the project.

That's almost triple the \$70,800 fee that the regional district had approved for a lesser project — engineering for two, 50,000 gallon-per-day "portable," temporary sewage disposal plants.

Bay St. Louis has say in the matter because all member-governments in the regional district have veto power over large outlays by the district.

In two nights' discussion of the matter, Favre gave council members a rundown of the economics which figured into the district's decision to change its plans for treatment facilities.

Months ago, district officials thought the upcoming Pearlinton sewerage collection system would need treatment for only 100,000 gallons of wastewater per day, said Favre.

Recalculation, however, showed that the area would

need twice that capacity, he added, so four little temporary plants were to be required. Favre said officials initially thought those four plants could be used, then disassembled and reused elsewhere — as in Kiln — later.

It turns out, however, that's not the case, said Favre, adding that most of the cost of the smaller plants would not be recoverable: \$700,000.

By building one, permanent plant with a 200,000 gpd, capacity, he said, the district would save around \$150,000 in construction cost. And, he stressed, the new small permanent plant could be expanded in the future as the need increases.

Digital Engineering and the district already had a \$70,800 contract for design of a 100,000 gallon per day temporary plant, plus the Pearlinton collection sys-

tem tie in and the effluent outfall system. The professional services fee proposal went up for the 200,000-gpd permanent plant, and the district approved a new "negotiated" fee totaling \$197,900 for the work.

After discussion of the matter in meetings Monday and Tuesday, council president James Thrifflay III called for a motion from the floor, and got nothing but silence in return. Finally, Seal said he needs more information before voting. "I just like my numbers to add up," he said, calling for "a good data sheet" on which to base a decision.

Seal pointed to differences in data on various related documents that Favre had supplied for council's consideration. Favre agreed that the calculations were confusing, and promised to have reconciled numbers available for council's further consideration.

Fibromyalgia support group

Sandy Harry Johnson will be the guest speaker at the monthly meeting of the Hancock County Fibromyalgia Support Group, which meets in the Seal Room of the Bay St. Louis/Hancock County Library at 7 p.m. Monday, April 26. The group meets on the first Monday of each month. Meetings last one hour. For, call Nan Ehrbriat at 467-5568.

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Hancock supers back teen center

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Hancock County Supervisors announced Tuesday that they will hold workshop meetings with the various volunteer fire departments in the county to hear any concerns that the departments may have with current emergency service providers American Medical Response.

Board president and District 2 Supervisor Rocky Pullman asked that the departments also present their concerns in writing. Supervisors need the information to decide whether AMR's contract will be renewed or whether the county will seek a new provider.

In other business: County Engineer Jeff Clemens said a meeting with the Corps of Engineers has generated a recommendation for a request that Supervisors apply for a permit for the renourishment of the Clermont Harbor Sand Beach, a stretch of beach extending roughly from Forest to Heron. Clemens is working on a cost estimate for the project before any final approval

will be given. Applying for the permit does not obligate the county to the project before they have a chance to look at costs, he said.

Plans are in place for the reconstruction of the Caesar Necaise Bridge and straightening of the road leading up to it.

All that stands in the way of the project getting underway is contacting land owners to acquire rights of way for the project, said Clemens. Five property owners are involved and Clemens said he does not have phone numbers for many of them. They are Roland R. Lee Sr., Harold Dawsey, Roland J. Necaise, Kenneth B. Ulrich Sr. and Victor C. Pizzolatto.

Supervisor Lisa Coward asked that the board approve the use of \$19,000 in remaining funds for the Dunbar Ave. Pier to begin a project on "finger piers." More improvements are planned for the pier as more funds are appropriated.

Supervisors voted to reschedule a public hearing scheduled for 10 a.m. for the first meeting in May to the second meeting in May due to the annual red beans and

rice cookoff scheduled for that day at 11 a.m.

Supervisors voted three to one not to revisit the question of Motocross at the Hancock County Equine and Livestock Arena. The events were banned at the arena by the Equine Board a few weeks back. District 5 Supervisor Jay Cuevas, District 4 Steve Seymour and District 2 Rocky Pullman voted against revisiting the issue. District 1 David Yarborough made the suggestion to revisit the issue and District 3 Lisa Coward voted with him on the proposal.

Hancock County Task Force Board president Bruce Northridge asked for more time to come up with a plan for a teen center in the county and to poll teens on the subject. Supervisors said they would support any viable project that would benefit the youth of the county. They gave HCTF 90 days to report back with their progress. Pullman said that if the organization is able to come up with a viable project the county would guarantee a lease on the building on Necaise Ave.

The county will be able to use \$182,000 in

Tideland's funds to upgrade RV camping sites. The board approved the use of the funds pending written confirmation from the Department of Marine Resources.

Supervisors accepted the low bid for the widening and repaving project of Stennis Airport Rd. The project was awarded to SCI with a bid of \$347,013. The 60 day project will get underway the day after school is dismissed for the summer. Stennis Airport may be closed for all or a portion of the construction time, with access to the airport via Texas Flat Rd.

Poster contest for Relay for Life

THE SEA COAST ECHO
This year the American Cancer Society Hancock County Relay for Life Team would like to add a special addition to the Relay's activities to include participation on a different level from the students and also the younger children in Hancock County.

With the generosity and support of the Peoples Bank, Whitney Bank, Hancock Bank, Pest Control Specialists, Inc., and the Chamber of Commerce, the Relay Team has kicked off a

poster contest. The contest will end on Friday, May 14th.

The theme of the contest will be "What I Like Best About Relay For Life". The contest is open to kids ages eighteen and under. Entries should be on poster boards no larger than 22x28 to be eligible for a prize and must be turned in to the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce no later than Friday, May 14th, 5 p.m. Survivors attending the Survivor Social on Sunday, May 16th, will be judging

the entries for the contest. The winners will be announced at the Relay for Life on Saturday, May 22nd.

Age categories for the winning posters will be determined by the number of entries received in the various age groups. All posters will be on display at the Relay site and the winners may pick them up after 10 p.m. that evening. Please print your name, address, telephone number, school and grade on the back of the poster. One entry per child will be allowed.

Scouts' spaghetti dinner

Boy Scout Troop 208 is having its annual fund raiser on Friday, April 30, 2004 at the American Legion Post 139 Hall in Bay St. Louis, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The proceeds go to support their local Scouting Program and help pay for the Scouts to attend annual Summer Camp. Spaghetti Dinner Tickets are available from any Troop 208 Boy Scout or at the door for \$5.00 donation. Dine in or take out. The dinner includes meatballs with sauce, spaghetti, salad, gar-

lic bread, dessert, and drink. Please come out and support the Scouts.

For more information, contact Larry Clayton at 467-7868 or Kelvin Schulz at 467-6501.

HHS Talons Dance Camp

The HHS Dance Team is sponsoring a mini dance camp for ages 5-12, Saturday April 24, at the Hancock High School Commons from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Students should wear shorts, short-sleeved shirt, and tennis or jazz shoes. Participants are invited to perform in the

Hancock High School Spring Show on May 1. The cost is \$20 for the first child, and \$15 for siblings.

DBPA meets today

The Diamondhead Business and Professional Association membership meeting is this morning, Thursday, April 22, at 8 a.m. in the Diamondhead Country Club Business After Hours will be this afternoon from 5-7 p.m. hosted by branch manager Cindy Knoblock and her staff at the Whitney Bank located at the Diamondhead Shopping Center.

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Referred by locals as the Hancock County Dump, this is operated by Magnolia Disposal, located on Highway 43 in the Kiln two miles from 603 heading toward Picayune on the left side. This dump is open to all residents of Hancock County as a county service. Each resident is entitled to 10 cubic yards per month at no charge. Over this amount, there will be a charge from Magnolia Disposal.

They cannot take any household trash; no electronics, TVs, microwaves, telephones or anything that contains mercury or lead. They cannot take oil, gas or chemical liquids, contaminated soils, batteries, tires, medical waste, friable asbestos, refrigerators, air-conditioners with compressors, butane cans.

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4-20 -- stoner culture

Bureau of Narcotics executed a "no-knock" search warrant Tuesday at the Pelican Point apartment of Terry Lewis, of Bay St. Louis, according to a joint statement issued yesterday by Waveland Police Chief Jimmy Varnell and Bay St. Louis Police Chief Frank McNeil.

Police went into the apartment at approximately 4:20 p.m., Varnell said. "The drug sub-culture recognizes the date and time 4:20 as an international symbol for smoking marijuana. This urban legend can be traced back to the 1970s. Marijuana smokers all over the world 'light up' at the exact time of 4:20 on 4/20."

"The suspects inside the residence were 'lighting up' at the exact time agents knocked down the door."

Lewis was arrested and charged with the sale of a controlled substance, and possession of drug paraphernalia, according to the statement. He was transported to the Hancock County Justice Facility, where he was held on a \$20,500 bond. Police said there was also a "hold" placed on his bond "for making threats toward officers involved with the search warrant."

The police chiefs' statement said that agents discovered marijuana, contraband and scales inside the apartment; and that investigators contacted the Mississippi Department of Human Services because there was a small child

inside the residence.

"The term '4-20' floats just below the radar of many baby-boomer parents who are totally clueless about the vast underground that celebrates the term," according to the website www.four20.com.

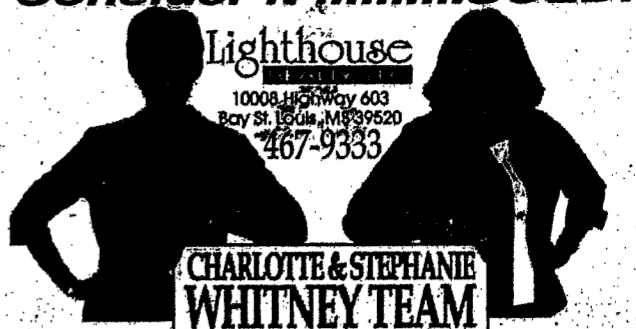
"Parents will hear about it by spring. The National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML) intends to drag the code word into the mainstream. For the first time, it will hold its annual conference on 4/20 -- April 20, a day known as Stoners' New Year."

"The origin of the term is a bit hazy. Some say it has been a police radio code for 'pot smoking in progress.' But Steven Hager, editor of High Times, has traced it

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back to 1971, to some pot-smoking wisecracks at a California high school who met frequently at 4:20 to light up. The term caught on and was popularized in the counterculture by the Grateful Dead, Hager says."

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Exhibit

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lost photographs in Hurricane Camille, have been lucky enough to find photographs of friends, family, and even themselves in younger days. Still others have helped greatly in the identification of people and places and the time frames of the events depicted.

The show has also served as a meeting place for community memories, with visitors recalling a place or a person that they remember and the stories that go along with those memories. And because of the excellent quality of the photographs, the show holds just as much interest to many more casual

observers who may not have a history in the area.

Copies of all the photographs are available for purchase on the spot from the Historical Society to anyone who would like one. The Society also has scanners and copy machines to document any photographs that the public would like to bring in of the area. Additionally, a power point slide show of about 100 of the photographs is also on display.

There are photographs of babies, weddings, school events, church events, families, public events, businesses and much much more.

Many remain to be identified and many more remain to be discovered by the people portrayed in them.

In particular, two photographs of babies with Pet Milk cans, and a scene at the Depot itself have many people curious. The scene at the Depot depicts an enormous crowd waiting for someone or something to arrive by train, but what, or who that might be remains a mystery. One man said he recognized one of the cars in the picture as being a 1942 model, but so far, that is the only clue. Maybe you have another one.

Robbers

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in the Belle Isle area," Chief Investigator Kenny Hurt reported.

Both Sheriff Garber and Chief Investigator Hurt offered high praises for the work of the night patrol officers who quickly responded to make the arrests.

Hurt also said, "You know, the store clerk provided valuable information which led to the quick arrest of the two suspects."

Rita Blaize-Watson, who is leading the investigation said, "Mohr is charged with

armed robbery, giving false information to officers and bringing narcotics into the jail, his bond was set at \$80,000. Williams is charged with armed robbery and his bond was set at \$50,000."

"One of the suspects approached the A-Z store clerk with a gun and demanded he open the safe, which he could not. The suspect then took an undisclosed amount of money from the cash register and fled the scene," Watson said.

Officers responding to the armed robbery included Lt. Ron Borja, K-9 Lt. Jimmy Esposito, Deputy Chris Ory, Deputy Stacey Wilson and Deputy Tim Campbell.

Watson said the case is still under investigation and there may be other charges.

On Wednesday, both Williams and Mohr were lodged in the Hancock County Criminal Justice Facility.

Art

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This week's workshop was attended by locals as well as artists from Jackson, and Connecticut. Walker-Fields says that

workshops draw attendees from all across the country.

Turning Leaf offers week-long workshops with accommodations, as well as

day classes. Next month, nationally acclaimed interior and portrait artist Joseph Larusso will host a workshop.

FEMA approves Pass Christian mitigation plan

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Governor Haley Barbour and Mississippi Emergency Management Agency Director Robert Latham announced today that the Federal Emergency Management Agency approved the of Pass Christian's local mitigation plan.

Pass Christian is now the second city in Mississippi to receive FEMA's approval for their local mitigation plan.

The city of Biloxi received approval in September 2003.

"The cities of Pass Christian and Biloxi have set an example for the rest of the state to follow," Governor Barbour said. "As

governor, I'm proud that the state of Mississippi has such strong local leaders who are willing to go the extra mile for their citizens."

Local governments are required to have an approved local mitigation plan in place before Nov. 1 in order to remain eligible for FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. For a plan to be accepted, local governments must meet the following requirements from FEMA:

- Documenting that the public was involved in the planning process.
- Assess the hazards to the community and the risk to current or future develop-

ment.

- Develop a mitigation strategy to reduce the potential risk.
- Develop a plan maintenance schedule to monitor and evaluate the plan every five years.
- Adoption by the local governing body.

Once a plan is submitted and approved by MEMA, it is then submitted to FEMA for approval.

"Although several communities in the state are currently going through the approval process, the leadership of Pass Christian is to be commended for becoming the second city in the state to receive FEMA's approval of the city's mitigation plan," Latham said.

Clermont Harbor, Pearlinton churches to host homecoming services Sunday

Clermont Harbor and Pearlinton United Methodist Churches will host a Homecoming Sunday, April 25 at 11 a.m. at Pearlinton United Methodist Church, 5210 Levee St.

Invited Guests include Rev. Alton Farley, Mrs. Dean, Rev. Robert Whiteside, Rev. Judy Carlson and Mrs. Wheat.

The guest speaker will be District Superintendent Rev. Robert Whiteside.

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KATHLEEN BENNETT
 Kathleen Nicgorski Bennett, 58, of Bay St. Louis, MS died Saturday, April 17, 2004.

Survivors include her mother, Beatrice Nicgorski of Roswell, N.M.; son, Jason Korich of Waveland, MS; daughter, Danielle Nicgorski of Phoenix, N.M.; 2 sisters, Suzanne Brown of Waveland, MS and Jane Bennett of Roswell, N.M.; 8 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services are incomplete at this time. Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of the arrangements.

ELSIE BERNER

Elsie Mae Berner, 77, of Kiln died April 16, 2004 in Slidell, LA.

She was a native of Bunker, Missouri. She was a homemaker.

Survivor includes 3 daughters, Victoria Berner of Kiln, MS; Linda Berrett of TX; Becky Yablonsky of CA; 3 sons, David Berner of KY; Simon Montoya of CA; and Charles Brewer of LA; 1 sister, Margaret Goldman of Bay St. Louis, MS.

Services were held on Wednesday, April 21, 2004 in Kiln, MS. Baylous Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

EFFIE GARRIGA

Effie Olivia Garriga, 86, died Monday, April 19, 2004, in Kiln.

She was a native of Kiln and spent most of her life in Pascagoula before moving back to the Kiln seven years ago. She was of the Catholic faith and a member of Annunciation Catholic Church in Kiln and formerly of Sacred Heart Parish in Pascagoula.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Percy Garriga; parents, Victor and Polia Garriga Moran; two brothers, Agnel and Ludger Moran; and a sister, Ernie Ory.

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Ms. Plaut was born in New Orleans in 1936 and graduated from Sacred Heart Academy in New Orleans. She completed her Bachelor's Degree at the University of Colorado.

Boulder and earned her Master's Degree in School Psychology from Columbia Teaching College. She raised her children in Ridgefield, Connecticut and was employed as a school psychologist. After retiring as a school psychologist, Nancy moved to Bay St. Louis to be with family and childhood friends. "She will always be remembered as a wonderful caring and dedicated friend and mother."

Nancy is survived by her two children, Gordon Plaut of New Fairfield, Connecticut and Shelley Plaut of Rome, Georgia and her sisters, Shelley McHardy of Foley Alabama and Corinne Keife of Covington, Louisiana.

Nancy was predeceased by her father, G. Gordon McHardy, M.D. and mother Nancy Fleetwood.

Donations may be made to Mid-Delta Hospice of Mobile, 6750 Airport Blvd #5, Mobile, Alabama, 36616 or a charity of choice.

Arrangements by Bay View Funeral Home, Foley, AL.

HARRIET RACHUBA

Harriet Terry Rachuba, 73, of Pass Christian died April 16, 2004. He was preceded in death by her parents, Oscar and Rose Johnson; her husband, Henry Rachuba; a son, Calvin Willard; and a grandson, David Horshbarger. Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

IONE ROGERS

Ione C. Rogers, 89, of Waveland died Friday, April 16, 2004, in Bay St. Louis.

She was a native of New Orleans and a resident of Waveland since 1967. Mrs. Rogers was a homemaker and member of St. Clare Catholic Church in Waveland.

She was preceded in death by her husband,

Clyde L. Rogers; brothers, Eugene Canal, Joseph Canal and Alphonse Canal; and one sister, Hilda Marks.

Survivors include her sons, Edwin H. Brink and Bernard E. Brink, both of Waveland; eight grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was Tuesday, April 20, at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Interment was in Gulf Coast Memorial Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

ROLAND SALTERS

Roland Salters, 41, of Kiln died Sunday, April 18, 2004, in Kiln.

Mr. Salters was a native of Gulfport and a lifelong resident of the Coast. He was a heavy equipment operator for various contractors.

Mr. Salters was preceded in death by his sister, Jennifer Salters; and his grandparents, Mildred Salters and Thomas Payne.

Survivors include his parents, Tom and Shirley Salters; a brother, Jeffrey Lee Salters, all of Kiln; a sister, Valerie Smith and her husband, Donnie, of Picayune; grandparents, Rube Salters Jr. and Audrey Payne, both of Long Beach; three nephews, Dustin Saucier, Devon Schonevitz and Denzel Payton; fiancé, Shari Melton and many friends and other family members.

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WOODY SCHWALL

Woody W. Schwall, 87, of Bay St. Louis died Wednesday, April 21, 2004, in Kenner, La.

He was a native and lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis and was of the Baptist faith.

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Visitation will be held Friday, April 23, from 1 to 3 p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. A prayer service will follow at 3 p.m. at the funeral home.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

ROBERT STURDIVANT

Robert Austin "Bob" Sturdivant, 60, of Diamondhead died Saturday, April 17, 2004, in Diamondhead.

Mr. Sturdivant was a native of Columbus, Ga., and was a member of Bel-Aire Baptist Church. He was a salesman in the restaurant industry and was formerly in law enforcement in the Jackson County Sheriff's Office.

Mr. Sturdivant was preceded in death by his parents, Aubrey and Rosalie Tarvin Sturdivant. Survivors include his wife, Peggy Sturdivant of Gulfport; children, Steven, Sandra, Paula, Diane Jones and David Boggs; brother, Jerry Sturdivant; sisters, Delores White and Cathy Sturdivant; and six grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, April 22, at Bel-Aire Baptist Church, where friends may call after 9:30 a.m. Burial will be in Floral Hills Memorial Gardens and Mausoleum in Gulfport.

The family prefers memorials to the American Heart Assn., or to the Ochsner Foundation Heart Transplant Program.

Riemann Memorial Funeral Home, Hwy 49 North in Gulfport, is in charge of arrangements.

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BUSINESS NEWS

County to honor citizens, businesses of the year at annual gala April 30

Close to 500 business, industry and community leaders from across the Mississippi Coast will gather Friday, April 30 to Salute Hancock County's Business & Industry during the Annual Gala at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis.

The event is sponsored by the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, the Hancock County Tourism Development Bureau, and Casino Magic Bay St. Louis.

Other supporting sponsors of the Gala include: American Medical Response

Ambulance Service, City of Bay St. Louis, City of Waveland, Hancock County Board of Supervisors, Prestige Printing, The Sea Coast Echo and The Sun Herald.

Tish Williams, manager of the Gala for the sponsors said the event is already at a near sell-out. Williams said that the response to this important event has been inspiring. "Annually, Hancock County has a unique opportunity to bring small business together with big business, local and state government together with the federal govern-

ment, and the tourism industry together with industrial leaders for one common goal: to recognize the men and women of Hancock County who are making a difference for our area," she said. "When people get together," she stated, "great things happen."

Lauded as one of the fastest growing areas in the State, the regional economists call Hancock County, a bright spot in the Coastal economy, buoyed by continued activity at NASA's Stennis Space Center and growing tourism amenities. The evening begins at

6pm with a reception, followed by a seated served dinner in the Cypress Cove Ballroom by the professional staff of Casino Magic Bay St. Louis.

During the Awards Presentation the following businesses and citizens will be recognized: Businesses of the Year: City of Bay St. Louis - Bookends Bookstore; Diamondhead Diamondhead Cleaners; Kiln - Coastal Hardware & Rental Co.; Waveland - Rickey's Bar & Grill. Tourism Person of the Year: Michael Reinike Cuevas, City of Bay St. Louis;

Tourism Business of the Year: Casino Magic Bay St. Louis. Industry of the Year: Polychemie, Inc. Award of Excellence: Lockheed Martin.

Outstanding Citizens & Citizen of the Year: Sue Ashman, Ashman-Mollere Realty, Inc.; John F. Auderer, Jr.; Charles B. Benvenuti, CPA; Retired U.S. Army Lt. Col. Randolph C. Bourgeois; David A. Geiger, The Boeing Company; Nicholas McLeod Haas, Attorney at Law; John Hall, Coldwell Banker-Alfonso Realty; Louis D. Hall; Martha Claire Haun, Granny1.com & Creative Health Resources; Marian T. Martin, Gulfside United Methodist Assembly; David Mayley, Pest Control Specialists, Inc.

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Continuing legal education credits offered at Southern Gaming Summit

The University of Mississippi Center for Continuing Legal Education will sponsor Continuing Legal Education credits (CLE) at the upcoming Southern Gaming Summit. People who attend any or all of the four Conference seminars that are part of the Gaming Law track will be eligible for general credit hours. A maximum of four credits can be earned.

The Gaming Law track features four sessions - two the morning of May 5 and two the morning of May 6. The seminars are:

"What You Don't Know Will Hurt You" - A panel of legal experts talk about the latest liability issues, and how to limit an operation's exposure.

"The Keys to Compliance" - A panel dis-

cussion about a viable compliance model that explores changes in federal law and the dynamics that separate the needs of the gaming and restaurant sides of the businesses.

"Tribes and Trusts" - Land in trust has become a major vehicle for the expansion of government gaming by Indian tribes, while presenting public policy challenges for states and municipalities.

"Diversity and Responsible Gaming: Doing the Right Thing" - Reflecting its expanding role in the community and the economy, the gaming industry is taking a more proactive approach in dealing with issues of diversity and responsible gaming.

The Conference program at the 11th Annual

Southern Gaming Summit - May 5-6 at the Mississippi Coast Coliseum and Convention Center - features 14 diverse educational seminars and two General Sessions. Keynote speakers are Mississippi Gov. Haley Barbour; MGM MIRAGE Chairman and CEO J. Terrence Lanni; American Gaming Association President and CEO Frank Fahrenkopf, Jr.; Isle of Capri President and COO Timothy M. Hinkley; IGT Chairman G. Thomas Baker; Deutsche Bank Securities Managing Director Marc Falcone; National Indian Gaming Association Chairman Ernest Stevens; and Boyd Gaming Corporation President Donald D. Snyder. The full conference line-up and online registration

are available at <http://www.sgsummit.com>. Full conference registration is \$595. Registration includes all seminars, social functions (including the Taste of the Gulf Coast Casinos Dinner), and admission to the expo. CLE certification forms will be available at each Gaming Law seminar. Fill out the form, sign it and turn it in to the Registration desk in the convention center lobby. To view the list of seminar topics and speakers, visit the web site, or call 702-794-0718 x 200 to request a brochure.

Southern Gaming Summit is produced by Ascend Media, Gaming Group, the Gulf Coast Gaming Association and its members.

Self, Strong promoted at Bay FD

Fire Chief Robert Gavagnie has announced that Firefighters Monty Strong and Patrick Shawn Self have been promoted to Captain and lieutenant respectively, effective immediately.

Strong, an eight-year veteran, will serve as "B" shift Captain, assuming the command vacated by Louis Prendergast following his promotion to Fire Safety Officer.

Retired Chief Andrew Lizana hired Strong in 1996 and since that time he has graduated from the Mississippi Fire Academy and completed more than ten additional courses, including Weapons of Mass Destruction haz mat, radiological/nuclear, and incident command schools and is currently taking the required classes for Emergency Medical Technician national certification.

Strong, a Bay Saint Louis native, and his wife, Danielle, have three children. In his spare time he coaches a 9-10 year old traveling baseball team. The Stingrays include players from throughout Hancock County.

Strong's command includes Lt. Mark Zitterkopf, Martin Pavolini, Brian Sellier, Bill Russell and Bill Schaff.

Patrick Shawn Self has been promoted to Lieutenant of "C" shift. Self spent several years with the Waveland Fire Department and currently works with the Diamondhead Fire Department in addition to his Bay Saint Louis duties. He has worked full time with Bay Saint Louis since November 2000.

Self has completed the Mississippi Fire Academy and has additional firefighting credits in rope rescue 1 and 2, confined space rescue, haz-mat tech 1 and 2; WMD haz mat tech and incident command, driver operator and EMT-B.

"Shawn is experienced, educated and well respected by his peers and we are proud to have him assume this leadership role," said Chief Gavagnie. In addition to his professional credits Self also holds an associates degree in Theology. He and his wife, Rachel, live in Kiln.

Employees learn CPR

Bay Saint Louis Fire Safety Officer Louis Prendergast has had a very busy spring conducting local CPR classes. He recently completed the two day instruction for Casino Magic security personnel awarding 46 certifications for casino employees.

"These employees have now been certified and will supplement the on-staff medical response team for Casino Magic," said Prendergast.

Eighty six members of Hancock County's Road and Bridge Department will take the class at the end of the month. "These workers are in extreme situations often and it is a good pre-

ventive measure to have the workers trained. I was very happy to work with the county's safety officer, Lynette Carbon, to make the training a reality. The County Supervisors are to be congratulated for their support of this training," continued Prendergast.

Also scheduled for training are the staff members of Dunbar Village. Prendergast said, "Dunbar

Village is the largest assisted living complex in the county and much is expected of every staff member, so we are glad to assist them in providing their residents every safety measure possible."

For information on scheduling classes for local businesses or organizations please contact Prendergast at 228-467-4736, 9a.m. - 3p.m., Monday - Friday.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Gulf Regional Planning Commission (GRPC) will hold three public meetings for the purpose of previewing the 2030 Mississippi Gulf Coast Area Transportation Study. The meetings will be held on April 26, 27, and 29, 4:00-7:00p.m., at the following locations:

April 26, 2004 Orange Grove Community Center, 13472 Hwy 49, Gulfport, MS
April 27, 2004 Hancock County Library, 312 Hwy 90, Bay St. Louis
April 29, 2004 Large Lecture Hall, Admin Bldg, MS Gulf Coast Community College, Jackson County Campus, Hwy 90, Gautier, MS

These meetings will provide opportunities for individuals to find out how the long-range regional transportation plan for the Biloxi-Gulfport and Pascagoula-Moss Point metropolitan areas will be prepared. Those attending will be able to review information to be used in developing the plan and will be invited to share their views regarding what should be included in the plan. GRPC is the designated metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Mississippi Gulf Coast Area (Hancock, Harrison and Jackson counties) and is cooperating with the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) in updating the regional transportation plan in conformance with requirements of the U.S. Department of Transportation. All interested individuals are urged to attend.

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Funeral services are incomplete at this time. Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of the arrangements.

ELSIE BERNER
 Elsie Mae Berner, 77, of Kiln died April 16, 2004 in Slidell, LA.

She was a native of Bunker, Missouri. She was a homemaker.

Survivor includes 3 daughters, Victoria Berner of Kiln, MS; Linda Berrett of TX; Becky Yablonsky of CA; 3 sons, David Berner of KY; Simon Montoyo of CA; and Charles Brewer of LA; 1 sister, Margaret Goldman of Bay St. Louis, MS.

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He is survived by his brother, Kent Petrucelli of Diamondhead. A memorial mass will be held at a later date. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of the arrangements.

NANCY PLAUT
 Nancy McHardy Plaut, 67, a resident of Bay St. Louis, MS and former resident of Ridgefield, Connecticut died Friday April 16, 2004.

Ms. Plaut was born in New Orleans in 1936 and graduated from Sacred Heart Academy in New Orleans. She completed her Bachelor's Degree at the University of Colorado - Boulder and earned her Master's Degree in School Psychology from Columbia Teaching College. She raised her children in Ridgefield, Connecticut and was employed as a school psychologist. After retiring as a school psychologist, Nancy moved to Bay St. Louis to be with family and childhood friends. "She will always be remembered as a wonderful caring and dedicated friend and mother."

Nancy is survived by her two children, Gordon Plaut of New Fairfield, Connecticut and Shelley Plaut of Rome, Georgia and her sisters, Shelley McHardy of Foley Alabama and Corinne Keife of Covington, Louisiana.

Nancy was predeceased by her father, G. Gordon McHardy, M.D. and mother Nancy Fleetwood.

Donations may be made to Mid-Delta Hospice of Mobile, 6750 Airport Blvd #5, Mobile, Alabama, 36616 or a charity of choice.

Arrangements by Bay View Funeral Home, Foley, AL.

HARRIET RACHUBA
 Harriet Terry Rachuba, 73, of Pass Christian died April 16, 2004. He was preceded in death by her parents, Oscar and Rose Johnson; her husband, Henry Rachuba; a son, Calvin Willard; and a grandson, David Horshbarger. Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

IONE ROGERS
 Ione C. Rogers, 89, of Waveland died Friday, April 16, 2004, in Bay St. Louis.

She was a native of New Orleans and a resident of Waveland since 1967. Mrs. Rogers was a homemaker and member of St. Clare Catholic Church in Waveland.

She was preceded in death by her husband,

Clyde L. Rogers; brothers, Eugene Canal, Joseph Canal and Alphonse Canal; and one sister, Hilda Marks.

Survivors include her sons, Edwin H. Brink and Bernard E. Brink, both of Waveland, eight grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was Tuesday, April 20, at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Interment was in Gulf Coast Memorial Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

ROLAND SALTERS
 Roland Salters, 41, of Kiln died Sunday, April 18, 2004, in Kiln.

Mr. Salters was a native of Gulfport and a lifelong resident of the Coast. He was a heavy equipment operator for various contractors.

Mr. Salters was preceded in death by his sister, Jennifer Salters; and his grandparents, Mildred Salters and Thomas Payne.

Survivors include his parents, Tom and Shirley Salters; a brother, Jeffrey Lee Salters, all of Kiln; a sister, Valerie Smith and her husband, Donnie, of Picayune; grandparents, Rube Salters Jr. and Audrey Payne, both of Long Beach; three nephews, Dustin Saucier, Devon Schonewitz and Denzel Payton; fiancé, Shari Melton and many friends and other family members.

The funeral was held Wednesday, April 21, at Riemann Funeral Home in Long Beach. Burial was in Allen Cemetery in Long Beach.

WOODY SCHWALL
 Woody W. Schwall, 87, of Bay St. Louis died Wednesday, April 21, 2004, in Kenner, La.

He was a native and lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis and was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include his wife, Rita Schwall of Bay St. Louis; a son, Larry Schwall of Harahan, La.; three stepsons, William Bates of Bay St. Louis, Kevin Bates of Cleveland, Ohio, and Thomas Bates of Metairie, La.; one brother, Louis Schwall Jr. of Louisville; and 12 grandchildren.

Visitation will be held Friday, April 23, from 1 to 3 p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. A prayer service will follow at 3 p.m. at the funeral home.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

ROBERT STURDIVANT
 Robert Austin "Bob" Sturdivant, 60, of Diamondhead died Saturday, April 17, 2004, in Diamondhead.

Mr. Sturdivant was a native of Columbus, Ga., and was a member of Bel-Aire Baptist Church. He was a salesman in the restaurant industry and was formerly in law enforcement in the Jackson County Sheriff's Office.

Mr. Sturdivant was preceded in death by his parents, Aubrey and Rosalie Tarvin Sturdivant. Survivors include his wife, Peggy Sturdivant of Gulfport; children, Steven, Sandra, Paula, Diane Jones and David Boggs; brother, Jerry Sturdivant; sisters, Delores White and Cathy Sturdivant; and six grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, April 22, at Bel-Aire Baptist Church, where friends may call after 9:30 a.m. Burial will be in Floral Hills Memorial Gardens and Mausoleum in Gulfport.

The family prefers memorials to the American Heart Assn., or to the Ochsner Foundation Heart Transplant Program.

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BUSINESS NEWS

County to honor citizens, businesses of the year at annual gala April 30

Close to 500 business, industry and community leaders from across the Mississippi Coast will gather Friday, April 30 to Salute Hancock County's Business & Industry during the Annual Gala at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis.

The event is sponsored by the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, the Hancock County Tourism Development Bureau, and Casino Magic Bay St. Louis.

Other supporting sponsors of the Gala include: American Medical Response

Ambulance Service, City of Bay St. Louis, City of Waveland, Hancock County Board of Supervisors, Prestige Printing, The Sea Coast Echo and The Sun Herald.

Tish Williams, manager of the Gala for the sponsors said the event is already at a near sell-out. Williams said that the response to this important event has been inspiring. "Annually, Hancock County has a unique opportunity to bring small business together with big business, local and state government together with the federal govern-

ment, and the tourism industry together with industrial leaders for one common goal: to recognize the men and women of Hancock County who are making a difference for our area," she said. "When people get together," she stated, "great things happen."

Lauded as one of the fastest growing areas in the State, the regional economists call Hancock County, a bright spot in the Coastal economy, buoyed by continued activity at NASA's Stennis Space Center and growing tourism amenities.

The evening begins at

6pm with a reception, followed by a seated served dinner in the Cypress Cove Ballroom by the professional staff of Casino Magic Bay St. Louis.

During the Awards Presentation the following businesses and citizens will be recognized: Businesses of the Year: City of Bay St. Louis - Bookends Bookstore; Diamondhead Diamondhead Cleaners; Kiln - Coastal Hardware & Rental Co.; Waveland - Rickey's Bar & Grill. Tourism Person of the Year: Michael Reinike Cuevas, City of Bay St. Louis;

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Continuing legal education credits offered at Southern Gaming Summit

The University of Mississippi Center for Continuing Legal Education will sponsor Continuing Legal Education credits (CLE) at the upcoming Southern Gaming Summit. People who attend any or all of the four Conference seminars that are part of the Gaming Law track will be eligible for general credit hours. A maximum of four credits can be earned.

The Gaming Law track features four sessions - two the morning of May 5 and two the morning of May 6. The seminars are:

"What You Don't Know Will Hurt You" - A panel of legal experts talk about the latest liability issues, and how to limit an operation's exposure.

"The Keys to Compliance" - A panel dis-

cussion about a viable compliance model that explores changes in federal law and the dynamics that separate the needs of the gaming and restaurant sides of the business.

"Tribes and Trusts" - Land in trust has become a major vehicle for the expansion of government gaming by Indian tribes, while presenting public policy challenges for states and municipalities.

"Diversity and Responsible Gaming: Doing the Right Thing" - Reflecting its expanding role in the community and the economy, the gaming industry is taking a more proactive approach in dealing with issues of diversity and responsible gaming.

The Conference program at the 11th Annual

Southern Gaming Summit - May 5-6, at the Mississippi Coast Coliseum and Convention Center - features 14 diverse educational seminars and two General Sessions. Keynote speakers are Mississippi Gov. Haley Barbour; MGM MIRAGE Chairman and CEO J. Terrence Lanni; American Gaming Association President and CEO Frank Fahrenkopf, Jr.; Isle of Capri President and COO Timothy M. Hinkley; IGT Chairman G. Thomas Baker; Deutsche Bank Securities Managing Director Marc Falcone; National Indian Gaming Association Chairman Ernest Stevens; and Boyd Gaming Corporation President Donald D. Snyder.

The full conference line-up and online registration

are available at <http://www.sgsummit.com>. Full conference registration is \$595. Registration includes all seminars, social functions (including the Taste of the Gulf Coast Casinos Dinner), and admission to the expo. CLE certification forms will be available at each Gaming Law seminar. Fill out the form, sign it and turn it in to the Registration desk in the convention center lobby. To view the list of seminar topics and speakers, visit the web site, or call 702-794-0718 x 200 to request a brochure.

Southern Gaming Summit is produced by Ascend Media, Gaming Group, the Gulf Coast Gaming Association and its members.

Self, Strong promoted at Bay FD

Fire Chief Robert Gavagnie has announced that Firefighters Monty Strong and Patrick Shawn Self have been promoted to Captain and lieutenant respectively, effective immediately.

Strong, an eight-year veteran, will serve as "B" shift Captain, assuming the command vacated by Louis Prendergast following his promotion to Fire Safety Officer.

Retired Chief Andrew Lizana hired Strong in 1996 and since that time he has graduated from the Mississippi Fire Academy and completed more than ten additional courses, including Weapons of Mass Destruction haz mat, radiological/nuclear, and incident command schools and is currently taking the required classes for Emergency Medical Technician national certification.

Strong, a Bay Saint Louis native, and his wife, Danielle, have three children. In his spare time he coaches a 9-10 year old traveling baseball team. The Stingrays include players from throughout Hancock County.

Strong's command includes Lt. Mark Zitterkopf, Martin Pavolini, Brian Sellier, Bill Russell and Bill Schaff.

Patrick Shawn Self has been promoted to Lieutenant of "C" shift. Self spent several years with the Waveland Fire Department and currently works with the Diamondhead Fire Department in addition to his Bay Saint Louis duties. He has worked full time with Bay Saint Louis since November 2000.

Self has completed the Mississippi Fire Academy and has additional firefighting credits in rope rescue 1 and 2, confined space rescue, haz-mat tech 1 and 2; WMD haz mat tech and incident command, driver operator and EMT-B.

"Shawn is experienced, educated and well respected by his peers and we are proud to have him assume this leadership role," said Chief Gavagnie. In addition to his professional credits Self also holds an associates degree in Theology. He and his wife, Rachel, live in Kiln.

Employees learn CPR

Bay Saint Louis Fire Safety Officer Louis Prendergast has had a very busy spring conducting local CPR classes. He recently completed the two day instruction for Casino Magic security personnel awarding 46 certifications for casino employees.

"These employees have now been certified and will supplement the on-staff medical response team for Casino Magic," said Prendergast.

Eighty-six members of Hancock County's Road and Bridge Department will take the class at the end of the month. "These workers are in extreme situations often and it is a good pre-

ventive measure to have the workers trained. I was very happy to work with the county's safety officer, Lynette Carbon, to make the training a reality. The County Supervisors are to be congratulated for their support of this training," continued Prendergast.

Also scheduled for training are the staff members of Dunbar Village. Prendergast said, "Dunbar

Village is the largest assisted living complex in the county and much is expected of every staff member, so we are glad to assist them in providing their residents every safety measure possible."

For information on scheduling classes for local businesses or organizations please contact Prendergast at 228-467-4736, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Monday - Friday.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Gulf Regional Planning Commission (GRPC) will hold three public meetings for the purpose of previewing the 2030 Mississippi Gulf Coast Area Transportation Study. The meetings will be held on April 26, 27, and 29, 4:00-7:00 p.m., at the following locations:

April 26, 2004 - Orange Grove Community Center, 13472 Hwy 49, Gulfport, MS
April 27, 2004 - Hancock County Library, 312 Hwy 90, Bay St. Louis
April 29, 2004 - Large Lecture Hall, Admin Bldg, MS Gulf Coast Community College, Jackson County Campus, Hwy 90, Gautier, MS

These meetings will provide opportunities for individuals to find out how the long-range regional transportation plan for the Biloxi-Gulfport and Pascagoula-Moss Point metropolitan areas will be prepared. Those attending will be able to review information to be used in developing the plan and will be invited to share their views regarding what should be included in the plan. GRPC is the designated metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Mississippi Gulf Coast Area (Hancock, Harrison and Jackson counties) and is cooperating with the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) in updating the regional transportation plan in conformance with requirements of the U.S. Department of Transportation. All interested individuals are urged to attend.

NARFE to meet

The National Association of Retired Federal Employees will host a luncheon meeting on Tuesday, April 27 at 11:30 a.m. in Coast Inns & Suites, located at Highway 90 & 603, Waveland mayor Tommy Longo will speak.

All members and other Federal retirees are invited to attend. Call Amelia Killen at 467-0589 for reservations.

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Justin Lacoste, left, and Charles Fricke.

Hancock students place in state VICA Competition

Hancock County Vocational Technical students Justin Lacoste (left) placed 1st in Precision Machinery and Charles Fricke (right) placed 3rd in Sheet Metal during the state Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA) competition on March 8-9 in Ellisville. Lacoste's first place win allows him to compete in the national VICA competition in Kansas City, Missouri during June.

Accident, fire claims Hancock county resident's life Sunday

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

A Hancock County resident lost his life around 4:30 a.m. Sunday morning in a one-vehicle accident, followed by a fire on the Fire Tower Road, according to Hancock County Sheriff's Chief Investigator Kenny Hurt. "Roland (Tommy) Salters, 41, of Deerwood Road, Hancock County, died at the scene of an accident on Fire Tower Road. He was traveling east and struck a bridge rail near the Harrison County line," said Investigator Tom Roan, who is in charge of the investigation. "Salters' 1986 Ford pickup struck the bridge's rail, flipped and partially ejected him, and caught fire. Initially, we were unable to

find any identify on him, or find an identification on the vehicle," Roan said, adding there was a skid mark approximately 300 ft. before the vehicle struck the rail.

"Through the assistance of Hancock County Emergency Management Agency director Brian Adam and his assistant John Favaloro, we were able to find a partial VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) by taking the destroyed truck apart and with the help of the sheriff office's dispatchers, make the identification around 10:30 p.m. Sunday," Roan added.

Others offering assistance included the Highway Patrol and Fenton Volunteer Fire Department, Roan reported, adding that Lt. Tim Broder worked the acci-

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THE SEA COAST ECHO

Do you use candles to get rid of unwanted kitchen smells, to set a mood for a special dinner or holiday event or sometimes just because? Local firefighters recently discussed the unguarded dangers of candle use that result in a call to the station to extinguish home fires. It appears that those beautiful scented candles we love so much could become the now "cigarette" in home fires.

According to firefighter Martin Pavolini, a fire and life safety educator for the Bay Saint Louis Fire Department, "Over the past several years I've noticed a number of people buying and burning scented candles in their homes. My wife and I especially enjoy the apple-cinnamon scented ones."

Candles have become so

popular that they are readily available in colors, shapes, sizes and scents to fit any occasion and décor. Almost every home and garden magazine will have candles as the inexpensive accessory needed to finish setting the scene in a room or for a party.

Pavolini continued, "For centuries, before the invention of electricity, candles were used for light and individuals using them developed special skills and safe practices for their use. Fires in the early centuries meant not only loss of homes, but loss of life."

"As the popularity of candle use grows, so does the danger of home fires. We don't take into consideration how size or placement of candles in the home can be dangerous."

"For instance, some of us are lighting candles and

placing them under overhanging shelves or cabinets. We light them in close proximity to draperies and plants that can come into contact with the candle flame, heat up and become combustible."

"As a firefighter I have witnessed home fires over the last several years with unattended, poorly placed, lighted candles as the culprit. They are pretty, they smell good and they can really set a romantic mood, but please use more care in candle placement, being sure that nothing can come in contact with the flame. More importantly, never leave your home without checking to be sure that all candles have been extinguished."

For more information on home safety please contact Fire Safety Officer Louis Prendergast 228-467-4736.

Fire Department to hold a roadblock at Bay High

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Fire Safety Officer Louis Prendergast reminds Bay Senior High students that next Thursday the department will set up its annual road block to remind students to wear seatbelts every time they are in a vehicle.

"We're the ones called to

extricate or stabilize vehicle accident victims. We see first hand how often serious injuries and sometimes, even death can be avoided if people would only take three seconds to 'buckle up,'" said Prendergast.

"These young drivers are the future of our community and we are going to do

everything we can to help them make good decisions."

For more information on Fire Department safety programs that your family, school or organization may need contact Prendergast, Monday-Friday, 228-467-4736 or visit your local fire station at 310 Old Spanish Trail.

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TOPS 233 meets in Waveland

TOPS, MS 233 met Tuesday, April 20, 2004 at the Waveland Methodist Church located on Central Avenue and Vacation Lane in Waveland, Ms.

TOPS best loser for the week was Darlene with a loss of 2 lbs. KOPS best loser for the week was Rose. Youth best loser for the week was Stephon with a loss of 2 lbs.

There were 9 members present. 1 new member was Mary Beth. Darlene won both the gift and incentive awards.

For the month March... Rose was KOPS best loser. Stephon was best youth loser. Charlotte and Charlene was TOPS best loser both with a loss of 3lbs.

Winners for 50 MILE ribbons went to Denise, Mary and Beverly. Beverly had also won 100 MILE ribbon.

TOPS 1 st place Division 4 was Bev. with a loss of 26 1/2 lbs.

TOPS 1 st place Division 8 was Stephon with a loss of 18 lbs.

TOPS, MS 233 meets every Tuesday at the Waveland Methodist Church. Weight-in is from 5-5:30 pm with the meeting following. Anyone interested in losing weight the sensible way and maintaining that weight loss is welcome to visit the TOP MS 233 chapter. Interested persons are invited to call Charlotte at 467-5790.

Stanislaus Cheer Academy

Camp Stanislaus will host a cheer academy, a day program for girls, according to Mr. Mike Reso, Camp Director.

The Camp Stanislaus Cheer Academy will be held on the campus of St. Stanislaus College in Bay St. Louis. It will be divided into four age group sessions. Session one, June 14-18, will be held for five and six year old girls. Session two, June 21-25, will be held for seven through nine year old

girls. Session three, June 28-July 2, will be held for ten through twelve year old girls. Session four, July 5-9, will be held for middle school girls.

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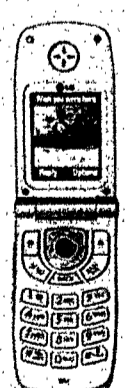
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Best red bean cookers sought for Cook-Off scheduled May 3

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie Favre is seeking Cooks who can really cook red beans to participate in the 15th annual American Cancer Society's Red Beans & Rice Cook-Off to be held on Monday, May 3.

The Cancer Society's benefit will be held in Casino Magic's Entertainment Complex from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The goal this year is to have 50 participants in one of the five categories, which are: government, restaurant, organization, business and family.

In the 2003 benefit there were 44 competitors total, according to Bay Fire Chief Bobbie Gavnage, vice-chairman.

"We already have a dozen signed up and ready to go with several more applications in the mail," Gavnage reported Wednesday.

Gavnage added, "We have the red beans, as they came in this morning (Wednesday), so now we need many more cooking teams, to reach this year's goal of 50 teams."

Janet McQueen and Anne Schmidt Andre served as the CO-chairs of the first

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or Sandra Hoda at 228-467-4425

Cook-Off, who along with Basil Kennedy were the organizers of the fund raiser in Hancock County.

Persons interested in further information on participating as a team in the Cook-Off, can contact Barbara Redding at 228-467-9092, or Sandra Hoda, 228-467-4425.

Hancock County Tax Assessor-Appraiser Jimmie Ladner, Jr. is the Team Recruiter.

There will also be a Silent Auction with Marilyn Finch, Waveland's Whitney Bank manager chairing. Anyone interested in donating an item, or items for the

silent auction can contact her at 228-467-6578.

Gavnage said he is in the process of lining up judges for the bean Cook-Off. The top winner will receive the Golden Bean award and the Camellia Bean award for the most Creative Beans. There are many trophies to be awarded.

Hancock County's Retired Senior Volunteer Program, (RSVP), will once again be assisting with ticket taking, etc., during the Cancer Society's fund raiser.

The general public also plays and important role in the Cook-Off, as they have the opportunity of voting for

the Peoples Choice awards in each division.

Tickets for the general public is \$6 per person and it entitles one to eat as many red beans and rice as they eat.

There will also be an award for the best cornbread again this year, according to Favre.

Judges to participate in the cornbread division are Betsy Ashman, Debbie Donaldson, Darlene Underwood and Ellis C. Cuevas.

Underwood, the former Mississippi State Extension Service's Home Economist in Hancock County said, "A good meal of red beans and rice for sure, has to have some good cornbread to go along with the meal."

With Camellia's distributor supplying the red beans, contestants on need to provide the rice, cornbread mix and special seasonings. Many participants claim they use family recipes handed down for generations.

Favre stated, "We have lots of restaurants in our area and many brag about their Monday special of red beans and rice. Now is the time for these restaurants to showcase just how good they can cook red beans and rice. We are awaiting for your call."

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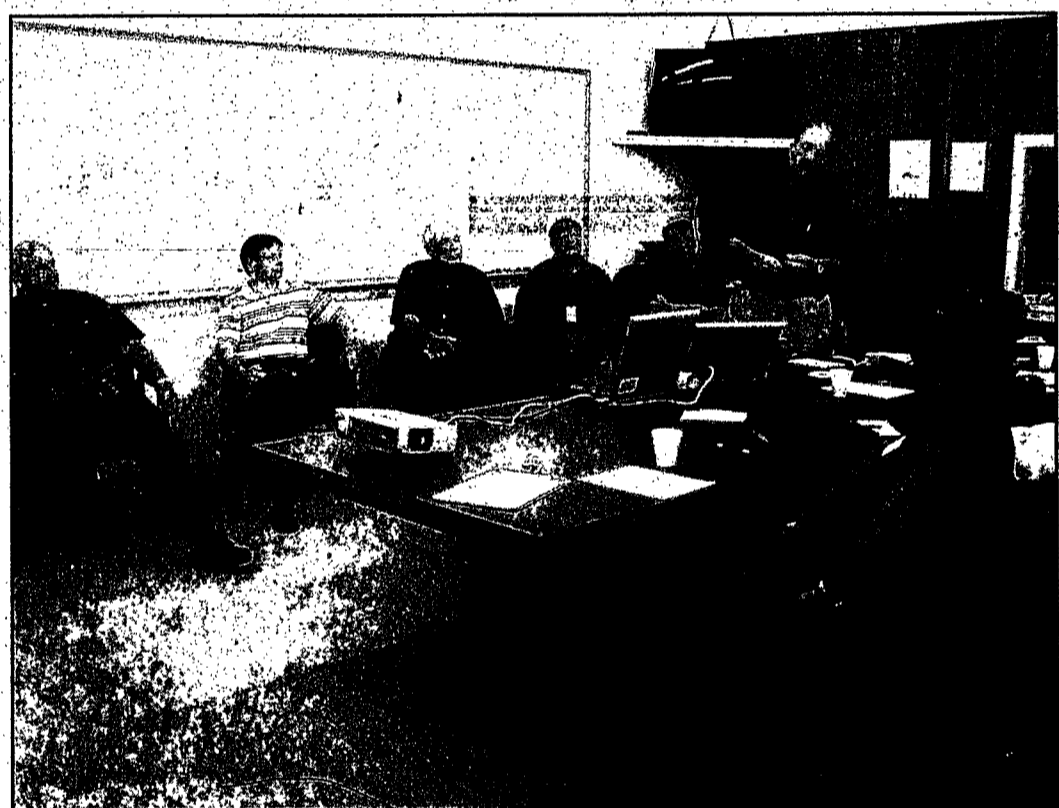
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Local Emergency Planning Committee



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The Hancock County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) met Wednesday at the Emergency Management Office with a good attendance, according to Brian Adam director. Presentations were made by Mickey Ladner, of the MS Regional Organized Crime Information Center, (R.O.C.I.C.), in addition to Jerry Philly Louisiana's director, made a presentation on Anti-Terrorism. Ladner said the new project is funded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance. Also Aaron Bright, Mississippi Emergency Management Agency's Hazmat Program manager spoke on the role of LEPC.

Celebrity Chefs Fest a success for OLG, Bay Catholic School

SEA COAST ECHO
The 6th Annual Celebrity Chefs Fest was hosted by Our Lady Academy and Bay Catholic Elementary School in Bay St. Louis.

Hundreds of guests "Followed the Yellow Brick Road" to this year's spectacular event featuring 14 top restaurants on the Coast, a fabulous auction and wonderful entertainment, including the Coast Chorale and Class Distinction.

With a theme of "The Wizard of Oz," event-goers were able to get their picture taken with the cast of the classic film, compliments of The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre.

Event organizers plan to choose a theme each year based on a classic movie. Discussion is already taking place to consider "Gone

with the Wind" or "Casablanca" for next year's Celebrity Chefs Fest.

As always, the main highlight of this event was the incredible cuisine prepared by our local celebrity chefs. Participating restaurants included: Acadian Grill, Annie's, Bay City Grill, Chappy's, Da Beach House, Dempsey's Seafood & Steaks, Favre's On the Bayou, Jack's Restaurant & Lounge, Long Beach Lookout, Southern Delights, Steve's Marina, The Sycamore House, Trapani's Eatery and 27th Ave. Bistro.

For the second consecutive year, the "Critic's Choice Award" was swept away by Steve's Marina for their incredible presentation of lobster stuffed filet and Rainforest Cake.

The Sycamore House

placed 2nd for their mouth-watering Dessert Sampler and tying for 3rd was Acadian Grill with their Oysters Miro and Southern Delights with their Spinach Stuffed Chicken Breast w/ Crayfish & Smoked Cheese Sauce AND Chocolate Bread Pudding w/ Kahlua Sauce.

The "People Choice Award" was presented to Trapani's Eatery for Chef Tony's perfectly seasoned Shrimp Coriander. Steve's Marina placed second and rounding out the top three crowd-pleasers was Southern Delights.

Every restaurant is to be commended for their culinary talent. All of the cuisine presented at this year's event was spectacular. As Dorothy said, "there's no place like home."

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Entertainment

The King's Men Thrill Bay Magic this summer

THE SEA COAST ECHO

The spirit of the King, Elvis Presley, is alive and coming to Casino Magic Bay St. Louis for two performances, June 11th and 12th at 9 p.m. "All The King's Men: A Tribute to Elvis" stars Ronnie McDowell, original Jordanaires guitarist, Scotty Moore and Jordanaires drummer D.J. Fontana and offers Elvis fans a revival of his greatest music. Tickets are available for \$14.95, \$19.95 and \$24.95 at the Casino Magic Box Office, by calling 1-800-5-MAGIC-5 or at any Ticketmaster location.

The show is a 90 to 120-minute celebration of Elvis' life and music by those who knew him best. There are no Elvis impersonations in the show, but one lucky fan will be selected from the audience to sing an Elvis song on stage with the Jordanaires backing them. There is heavy audience involvement. During pauses in the show, the performers take questions from the crowd about Elvis.

McDowell and company present "Elvis" songs in chronological order, tracing his music as it takes him from Memphis to Nashville and then on to New York,

Hollywood and Las Vegas. The program begins with Ronnie Dean, McDowell's son, steaming through the intricately times "Mystery Train" and concludes with the cast performing "How Great Thou Art" and "King Creole." McDowell makes his entrance with "That's All Right, Mama." By evening's end, he will have added his own sparkle to "Blue Moon of Kentucky," "Heartbreak Hotel," "Don't Be Cruel," as well as to other standards requested by the audience. For a change of pace, McDowell will ask the fans to imagine what it would have been like if Elvis had put his vocal mark on songs that have since become identified with other performers, like Patsy Cline's "Crazy" and others.

Come kick up your blue suede shoes at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis on June 11th or 12th! Must be 21 to attend.

About the Band

Ronnie McDowell never met Elvis, but he so loved his music that when Elvis died it inspired him to write and record, "The King Is Gone." The song became the lament of an entire genera-

tion. It also made McDowell a star. Although his voice bears an uncanny resemblance to Presley's, McDowell is very much his own man musically. After his triumphs with "The King Is Gone," McDowell cut his Elvis connection to develop a distinguished career in country music. To date, he has scored more than a dozen Top 10, Top 5 and No. 1 hits, among them, "Older Women," "You're Going To Ruin My Bad Reputation," "Wandering Eyes," "I Love You, I Love You, I Love You" and "Watchin' Girls Go By." In the process, he built an enormous and enormously loyal fan base. Many of his admirers attend several of his concerts each year; and a handful of hardy souls attend every single one.

Producers of movies about Elvis have turned to McDowell time and again for his remarkable voice. That was him you heard when Kurt Russell sang in the 1979 production, "Elvis" (which critic Leonard Maltin calls "one of the highest rated TV movies ever"). It's him again in the 1988 film, "Elvis and Me." Dick Clark, who introduced McDowell on American

Bandstand, chose him personally to sing Presley's part in the 1990 TV series, "Elvis." Drawing on this rich background, McDowell performs Elvis' songs with comparable understanding and authority.

The Jordanaires met Elvis in Memphis in 1954, just before he left Sun Records to go with RCA. He was such an admirer of their gospel-flavored sounds that he asked if they would record with him when he moved to a major label. They agreed and continued to record and tour with him from his signing with RCA until 1970. Guitarist Scotty Moore and drummer, D.J. Fontana were with Elvis from the start. Moore, in fact, was his first manager, well before Col. Tom Parker came along. All the inventive guitar licks you hear on Elvis' career-making singles (like the ominous, propulsive rush of "Mystery Train") came from Moore's bottomless imagination. In recognition of his musical skills and imagination, the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame inducted Moore in its first class of "sidemen" members. Fontana joined Moore and the other members of Elvis' band in 1954 and stayed on

until 1968. He played on more than 460 of the King's RCA recordings and is a treasury of Elvis studio and road lore.

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Coast Chorale Concerts feature African theme

THE SEA COAST ECHO

The Coast Chorale will perform two spring concerts this season on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. The program, "An African Trek through Folk and Faith," will be presented in Bay St. Louis at the Bay High Auditorium on Saturday, April 24, at 7 p.m., followed by a second performance on Sunday, April 25, at 3:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium on the Jeff Davis Campus of Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, Biloxi. Admission to all Coast

Chorale concerts is free.

The program will feature an unusual variety of choral music that includes Guido Haazen's Missa Luba, a Mass in Congolese Style; several choral arrangements by Robert DeCormier, including the South African Zulu song, Wimoweh (Mbube), recorded by the Weavers in the 1950s and later by the Tokens as "The Lion Sleeps Tonight;" and even a ragtime piece by Scott Joplin.

"Early this year, we had planned on a spring concert program with more tradi-

tional music," she said.

"But then we were invited to perform with several other choruses in June at the Vermont International Choir Festival in Stowe. The songs we're preparing for Stowe are quite different, so

we've decided they would be a real treat for our Coast audiences." Mehrtens explained that a major goal of Coast Chorale has always been to present a wide variety of choral music to Gulf Coast audiences.

Gospel, Bluegrass & Crafts Fest begins

The First Annual Gospel and Bluegrass Music and Crafts Festival will be held on April 22, 23 and 24 at Scenic Trails R.V. Park and hosted by the Cooksey family. Music begins at 1 p.m. each day.

On Wednesday there will be a potluck supper at 5 p.m. and a jam session at 8 p.m. There will be a full concession on site and arts and crafts booths.

The lineup for music on Thursday, Friday and Saturday includes South Bond, Bluff Creek, West Thibodeaux Singing Clarks Sam J.C. and Friends,

Cooksey Johnnie Duncan, Driskill Mountain, Old River Express, High Lonesome Whistle, and Shallow Creek. Sound is by Butch Cooksey and Jerry Mulse.

Camping is available. Tickets at the door are \$8 on Thursday, \$12 on Friday and Saturday night and children under 8 are free. Camping prices vary. For more information and directions call 228-255-4805, 228-255-7255, 228-255-9281 or 985-878-3772.

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All the Way to Picayune

\$50 million approved for four-laning Highways 603 and 43

TEN YEARS AGO
April 7, 1994 - Money to widen parts of Highways 603 and 43 have been approved by the State Legislature. Rep. Harry Frierson said House Bill 1302 includes funds to four-lane Highway 603 from Stennis Road to Highway 43, and to four-lane Highway 43 from Highway 603 to Picayune. The estimated cost of the highway improvements around \$50 Million for Hancock and Pearl River Counties, Frierson said. Frierson is a member of the House Transportation Committee, along with Representative Mark Formby of Picayune. The Bill goes into effect, July 2, 1994.

-Waveland's Board of Aldermen voted 3-1 to a lease-purchase agreement for 10 new police cars Tuesday night. A request for new police vehicles was made by Chief Jimmy Varnell and Mayor Stella Fiolot.

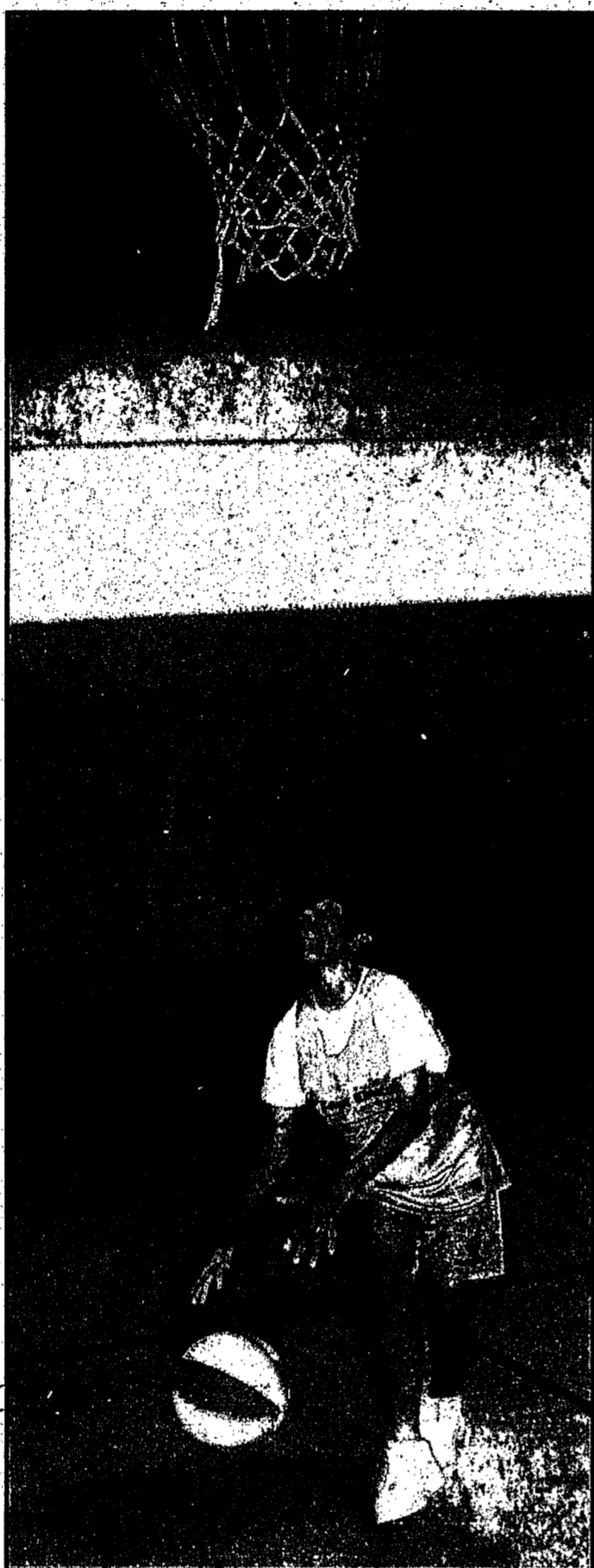
-Bay St. Louis City Council set \$500,000 aside Tuesday to finance beach renourishment between Washington Street and the Highway 90 bridge.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
April 5, 1984 - Bayou Cadet fishermen may finally have a dockside ice manufacturing plant. Terrell Ladner, a Bayou Cadet fisherman, says he plans to begin construction of a \$250,000 ice plant on his property immediately west of the Hancock County-owned Bayou Cadet Marina area.

April 12, 1984 - Farmers Market-Construction of a Hancock County Farmers Market shed began Tuesday morning. (Photo), Rodney Reeves, on a ladder president of the association, checks level of rafters as Lee Taylor, right, county agent, checks height of post. Reeves and Taylor were assisted by several Hancock County Jail trustees on the construction. The poles for the market were set last year. The new facility is to the right of the one on loan from the Livestock Association last year, located on Longfellow Road. Reeves reports the market will open in several weeks, weather permitting.

FORTY YEARS AGO
April 9, 1964 - Request for a two-cent reduction in gasoline tax was taken under consideration by the Hancock County Board of Supervisors Monday after Andre

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Even though North Bay Elementary School student Aaliyah Williams is only 9 years old, she knows what she loves to do. If you ask her she will tell you that her interests are playing basketball and school.

"And sometimes not the school part," she says laughing in typical 9-year-old fashion.

At the ripe old age of 9, Aaliyah has been playing the game for four and a half years already. At first she couldn't even dribble the ball, said her mother Michelle Robinson, but she learned fast. She began her career at Valena C. Jones Gym where program director Robert

By BENNIE SHALLBETTER

"Chops" Williams has mentored young athletes on basketball teams every year, for the past 16 years.

Williams and all of the coaches in the program volunteer the extensive time it takes to commit to the playing season, mainly, because they believe in the kids.

Recently Aaliyah's team won first place in the State Girls Basketball Championship held at the gym. What made it special for Aaliyah is that she scored 32 of the 33 winning points in the winning game. Team mate Jasmine Woods scored the other point.

Team coach Craig Saucier

has been at Valena C. Jones for about three years and has coached Aaliyah for the past two years.

"For her age she is exceptionally good," said Saucier. "On the average she makes about 18 points a game, but at the championship she made 32 ... the game went into double overtime. Aaliyah

the 9-year-old CHAMP



Echo Staff Photos by Bennie Shallbetter
Nine-year-old Aaliyah Williams is already on her way to her dream of playing professional basketball. With an average score of 18 points per game, she scored 32 of the 33 points her team needed to win at the recent State Championships.



North Bay Elementary School third grader Aaliyah Williamson just played her fifth season at the Valena C. Jones Gym Basketball Program. Pictured with Aaliyah are program director Robert "Chops" Williams, coach Craig Saucier and mother Michelle Robinson.

is also a great defensive player."

Family history runs deep at the Valena C. Jones

Darryl's old number.

Aaliyah says her goal is to play professionally, but for

CHAMP-3B

Awards selection committee chooses Purple Ruffles basil

You may have thought you heard it all when the Mississippi Plant Selections Committee chose the Mini Charm tomato as the first vegetable to win the award. Now the committee has chosen Purple Ruffles basil as the first herb to win the Mississippi Medallion Award.

Purple Ruffles basil is as pretty as a coleus in the flowerbed, and it also makes a delicious addition to many culinary dishes. Whether you pronounce it "bay-zil" or "baa-zil," we can agree on one thing: freshly torn Purple



Ruffles basil mixed with juicy tomatoes, olive oil and garlic is a true feast when spooned over hot pasta.

Besides having extraordinary taste, Purple Ruffles basil is incredibly easy to grow. Not only does it add grace to the herb garden or

Southern Gardening
by Norman Winter
MSU Horticulturist

tomato planting, but the numerous shapes and sizes make excellent additions to the perennial garden, shrub border or container garden. It actually partners well with two of this year's Mississippi Medallion award winners -

GARDENING-3B



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The SeaCoast Echo

Sports

SSC wins Div 8-4A track title; OLA takes second in first 3A year

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

Another spring has sprung along the Gulf Coast. Pollen is in the air. April showers will hopefully bring some May flowers. And, the St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws' track and field team earned the Division 8 Class 4A team title. For the 15th time in the last 17 years, the Rocks emerge from the division track meet as team champs with 144 points followed by Vancleave with 118 points, D'Iberville 110, Gautier 55, Pass Christian 44, Bay St. Louis 32, and East Central with 14 points.

On the girls side of the division, Vancleave ran away with the team title after they amassed 168 points to runner-up D'Iberville's 98 points. Pass Christian was third with 87 points, Gautier 42, Bay St. Louis 39, and East Central 15 points.

In Division 8 Class 3A, the Our Lady Academy Crescents placed second overall behind Poplarville with 105 points. The Lady Hornets won the team title with 132 points. Columbia placed third with 34 points followed by Greene County with 31 and Sumrall with 19 points.

The top four places in each event move on to regional competition on Saturday, April 24th at the Gaston Hewes Athletic Complex on the campus of Gulfport High School. The meet will begin at 10am.

The Rocks were led by triple-winner and Ole Miss signee Kyle Lewis. He was triumphant in his sweep of the 3200m, 1600m and 800m runs. His times were 9:48.39, 4:35.00, and 2:06.75, respectively. The Rocks placed first and second in all three distance events. Bobby Nilson placed second, behind Lewis in the 1600m run with a time of 4:51.00. Troy Johnston placed second in the 800m and 3200m runs with times of 2:14.00 and 11:14.89, respectively.

SSC also got a big boost from shotput and discus thrower Nick Weinmann. He won the discus with a personal best and school

record throw of 145'4". His throw of the disc eclipsed the former record of 144'6" held by Matt Kopfler that was set at the state championship meet in 1997. Weinmann also placed second in the shotput with a distance of 44' 9 1/2". Jeremy Burke of SSC will also advance in the discus after recording a personal best throw of 124'1" that earned him third place overall.

Jake Johnson of SSC won the pole vault with a personal best vault of 13'6" and placed second in the long jump with a leap of 19'. Johnson will advance in both events. Eighth-grader Connor Smith placed second in the pole vault behind teammate Johnson with a vault of 10'6".

SSC's Darius Acker placed third in the 100m dash with a time of 11.36 while teammate Chris Tran ran fourth in the 200m dash with a time of 24.15. Rock quarter-miler Beau Brodtmann placed third in the 400m dash with a time of 56.10 to advance to regional competition.

The Rock-a-chaw 800m and 1600m relay teams both qualified for the regional meet. The 800m relay team placed third with a time of 1:37.04 and the 1600m relay team took the bronze in the 3:50.66.

Bay High's Greg Lamier won the 200m dash in 22.96 and placed second in the 100m dash with a time of 11.34. Lamier will advance to regional competition in both events. Teammate Lorenzo Lewis was the only other Tiger to qualify on the boys side. Lewis will advance after winning the 400m dash in 54.32.

Pass Christian's Roscoe Forch was the Pirates' lone winner at the division meet. Forch claimed the top prize in the triple jump with a leap of 42'1".

Pass Christian's Arthur Anderson will participate in the regional meet next week in two individual events. Anderson advanced in the 200m dash after placing third with a time of 23.32 and third in the high jump with a leap of 5'8".

All three relay teams

from Pass Christian will advance to regional competition. The 400m relay team placed second with a time of 46.34 while the 800m relay team placed fourth in 1:37.09. The 1600m relay team also placed second overall in 3:44.47.

In the Division 8 Class 4A girls meet, several area athletes advanced to regional competition on Saturday. Pass Christian had three individual winners. Bianca Salazar won the 1600m run with a time 6:54.00. Diedra Palade won the high jump with a leap of 4'10" and also placed third in the 100m low hurdles in 18.75. Dominique Dedeaux won the shot put with a distance of 26'4 1/2".

Other Pass Christian top four finishers were Brittany proby in the 100m dash with a fourth-place time of 13.75. Jessica Rush placed fourth in the 200m dash in 28.21 and second in the high jump with a leap of 4'10". Crystal Westbrook took third place in the 300m hurdles with a time of 55.38. Jamie Freeman placed fourth overall in the shotput with a distance of 16'5 1/2".

All three relay teams from Pass Christian will advance to regional competition. The 400m relay team placed second with a time of 54.31.

The 800m relay team qualified with a second place time of 1:57.16. The 1600m relay team took fourth place in 5:06.00.

Crystal Skretching, Farron Rushing, and Hannah Spence will all represent the Bay High Lady Tigers in the regional meet next weekend. Skretching placed second in the 400m dash with a time of 1:06.22. Washington advanced in the 800m run with a third place time of 2:56.47. Spence advanced with a second place time in the 1600m run of 6:55.00.

Also, all three relay teams advanced for the Lady Tigers. The 400m and 800m relay teams both placed fourth overall with times of 55.07 and 1:59.51, respectively. The 1600m relay team placed second overall with a time of

4:44.81.

The Our Lady Academy Crescents battled Poplarville all day on the track but came up just short in their bid for the division crown in their first year in Class 3A.

The Crescents were led by double-winner Jennifer Asper in the 1600m and 3200m runs. Her winning times were 5:52.00 and 12:27.00, respectively.

Sisters Mandy and Jody Donlin also qualified in the two long distance races for the Crescents. Mandy Donlin placed second in the 1600m run with a time of 6:31. Jody Donlin took second place in the 3200m run in 14:14.

Lindsey Benvenutti and Margaret Rittiner represented the other two individual winners for OLA on Saturday. Benvenutti held off teammate Ellie Dauterive in the 800m run to win in 2:47.00. Dauterive placed second in the event to advance with a time of 2:52.

Rittiner crossed the tape first in the 400m run with a time of 1:04.87. Teammate Caroline Boelte placed third in the event with a time of 1:08.87.

Laura Kergosien and Olivia Hoff each had second place finishes during the day for the Crescents. Kergosien was runner-up in the 100m low hurdles with a time of 18.56. Hoff placed second overall in the long jump with a leap of 14'11".

Annétte Allard qualified for regional competition in two events. She placed third in the high jump with a height of 4'10" and third in the 100m low hurdles in 19.03.

Emily Hoff advanced in the 300m hurdles for OLA with a bronze time of 54.66.

Katelyn Bosley placed fourth in the long jump with a distance of 13'7" and Caitlyn Church took fourth in the 100m dash in 13.9. Both advance to the regional meet for the Crescents.

The 400m relay team advanced with a fourth place finish in 59.06. The 800m and 1600m relay teams both placed second overall in 1:57.00 and 4:35.00, respectively.

OLA advances to 3A South State title series

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The Our Lady Academy Crescents (13-11) defeated the Columbia Lady Wildcats 5-2 on the road on Saturday, to advance to this weekend's series with West Lauderdale for the 3A South State title in fast-pitch softball.

The Crescents' appearance in the South State title series is the farthest that an OLA softball team has ever advanced.

Rachel Cuevas was as dangerous at the plate as she was on the mound for OLA. Cuevas struck out 11 batters and allowed only two hits in a complete game performance. She aided her own cause with a two-run triple.

OLA enjoyed the lead from start to finish as they struck for a 3-0 lead early in the game.

The Crescents added another run in the fourth inning before Columbia put their two runs on the board in their second to last at-bat.

Lakasia Duckworth led

the Crescents at the plate with two hits in the game. She was also a base-runner when Cuevas knocker her and teammate Jordan Fisher in on her triple in the top of the seventh inning.

The Crescents will entertain West Lauderdale for a double-header in Bay St. Louis on Saturday, April 24th. The South State championship series is a best-of-3 series.

In other diamond action, the Bay High Lady Tigers' bid for a Class 4A South State title series in fast-pitch softball was stopped by Lawrence County on the road on Saturday. The Lady Tigers lost to Lawrence County 5-2. Katy Barrett was the pitcher for Bay High; she struck out four batters and allowed five hits. Lawrence County will take on East Central in a best-of-3 format starting with a double-header on Saturday, April 24th.

On Friday, April 16, the Pass Christian Pirates defeated the D'Iberville Warriors 2-0 in high school baseball action.

The Pirates (14-16, 4-8) were led by Dustin Allen who posted a three-hit shutout in eight innings of action. Chris Dahl hit the game-winner in the top of the eighth inning. Dahl knocked in two runs on his double.

On Saturday, April 17, the St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws defeated Ecole Classique 9-6 on the road in

their final game of the season. The Rocks were led by Lee Klein who smashed a homerun and had two more hits. Lance Cuevas and Tyler Henry banged round-trippers for the Rocks, as well.

Alex Nunez came in the game in relief action to get the win for SSC and the Rocks finished the season at 12-16.

Favre's hit wins game for PRCC over Delgado

Neil Favre smacked a bases-loaded single in the bottom of the 12th inning Tuesday to give nationally-ranked Pearl River a hard-fought 6-5 win over Delgado for its 37th victory of the season.

Favre, a sophomore slugger from St. Stanislaus, smacked his game-winner after the Wildcats had rallied from a 4-0 deficit in the extra-inning free-for-all.

PRCC, No. 3 in last week's NJCAA Division II poll, improved to 37-6 overall; while Delgado, located in New Orleans, dropped to 30-14. PRCC wraps up the regular season Saturday with a 1 p.m. doubleheader against division rival Mississippi Gulf Coast in Perkinston, then hosts the MACJC State Tournament April 29-May 2 in Wildcat Stadium in Poplarville.

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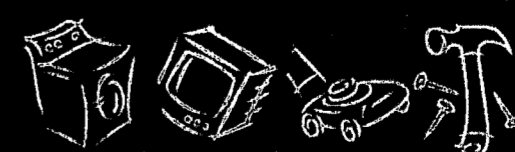
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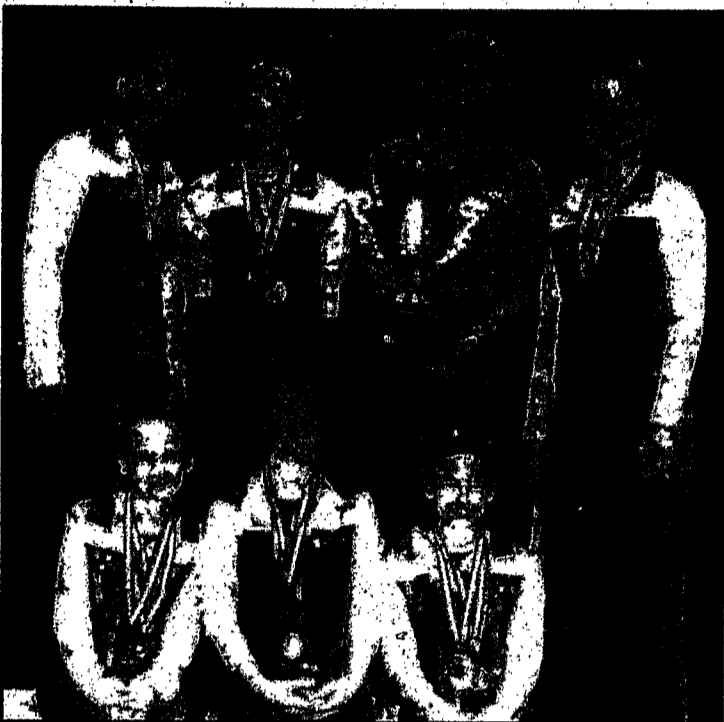
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Sports

Locals compete in state championship



(Above) Pictured front row from left are Elyssa Derka, Logan Wilkerson and Jenna Gibson. Back row from left are Marissa Mannion, Clara Pratt, Coach Terry Kruchowsky and Amy Bramlett.

(Right) Level 8 Regional Qualifier - Kaitlin Green.



The Brook-Lin Center for Gymnastics and Dance, continued to excel in state competition on March 26-28.

Mississippi State Championships for Level 1-8 were held in Jackson at the Jackson Coliseum. Over 400 athletes participated in this event from clubs all over the state.

The Brook-Lin Center had athletes represented in Level 2, Level 7, and Level 8. Brook-Lin's Level 7 Team captured the first place team award becoming the center's first state championship team since opening in August 2003. The Level 7 team representatives were Clara Pratt, Amy Bramlett, Logan Wilkerson, Marissa Mannion, Elyssa Derka and Jenna Gibson.

Also excelling at the state championship was the Brook-Lin Center's Level 8 representative, Kaitlin Green. Kaitlin Green qualified to compete at the Level 8 Regional Championships held in Tampa, Fla., April 16-18.

Below are the individual awards won by The Brook-Lin Center:

LEVEL 7:
Age Group 10-11 years old -

Jenna Gibson 2nd All-Around, 1st floor exercise, 2nd vault, 2nd uneven bars, 3rd balance beam

Age Group 12-13 years old:
Clara Pratt 1st All-Around, 1st uneven bars, 1st floor exercise, 2nd balance beam, 5th vault

Elyssa Derka 2nd floor exercise, 5th uneven bars, 6th balance beam, 9th vault and 6th All-Around

Amy Bramlett 5th floor exercise, 7th Vault, 9th uneven bars, 10th balance beam, 8th All-Around

Age group 14 years and up:
Marissa Mannion 3rd All-Around, vault, uneven bars, balance beam, and floor exercise

Logan Wilkerson 2nd All-Around, uneven bars, balance beam, floor exercise, 5th vault LEVEL 8:

Age group 15 and older:
Kaitlin Green 1st All-Around, 1st uneven bars, 1st balance beam, 1st floor exercise, 2nd vault

LEVEL 2:
Age group 8 years old:
Haley Holder 6th vault, 7th uneven bars, 6th balance beam, 7th floor exercise, 12th All-Around

Archives

Arceneaux, speaking for the Hancock County Service Station Association, seven members attending the meeting, said the reduction would increase the amount of taxes received rather than reduce it. "We want to get on a competitive bases with Louisiana," Arceneaux said.

Bay St. Louis' Penny Sue Webre is the new Miss Southern. The sophomore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Webre, was chosen Tuesday night from a field of 14 lovely finalists to represent the University of Southern Mississippi in the Miss Mississippi pageant at Vicksburg this summer.

Waveland's Mayor and Board of Aldermen voted Tuesday for bids for a Class A

Fire pumper. Action was taken after Wilson J. Moosa of Moosa Equipment Co., explained various optional equipment and features which are available for a pumper with an estimated value between \$18,500 and \$20,000. In another aspect of the town's efforts to improve its fire protection, which may incidentally reduce its insurance rating from class 10 to class 8, the mayor and aldermen agreed to visit firehouses in Gulfport Saturday.

FIFTY YEARS AGO

April 9, 1954 - The St. Stanislaus band under the direction of Brother Martial, S.C., returned from the State Band contest held in Hattiesburg with a perfect

record. They received four superior ratings in concert playing sight-reading of new music, marching maneuvers and signal drum majoring by Arthur (Pete) Chapman. Stanislaus and Newton High School were the only two bands with perfect records for the contest.

The American Legion announced this week that verbal approval has been given by officials of Foundation Hospital in New Orleans for the establishment of a blood storage bank for Hancock County residents at that institution. The plans, as they stand now, call for the blood to be drawn in Bay St. Louis, not New Orleans and use of the blood will be free to the citizens of the county.

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SIXTY YEARS AGO

April 14, 1944 - The cake sale on Saturday, for the King's Daughters Electric Ice Box Fund netted \$75. Miss Stella Gex wished to express her appreciation to the assistance given her by the Bay-Waveland Garden Club and those making and decorating the cakes.

Workers needed to make surgical dressings. Materials for surgical dressings is here and the rooms of the Masonic Temple will be open all day Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week. The quota of the dressings for the month is 18,000 and workers are needed. These surgical dressings are needed for our Armed Forces on all fronts.

Gardening

the Mini Charm tomato and the Port Gibson Pink verben.

Purple Ruffles basil can be tucked into unused garden corners, displayed among vegetables, edged along a flower garden or grown in mixed containers where its handsome foliage contrasts with bouquets of colorful flowers.

Purple Ruffles basil asks for nothing more in the garden than full sun and well-drained soil. Prepare the soil by spreading 3 to 4 inches of organic matter and 1 pound per 100 square feet of a slow release, 5-10-5 fertilizer, and till to a depth of 8 to 10 inches.

Set transplants 18 to 24 inches apart. They will grow to around 2 feet tall and wide. Water and apply a layer of mulch. Purple Ruffles basil thrives in our warm summer

weather and excels in fall plantings as well.

Keep the Purple Ruffles watered and harvested and flower buds pinched for a long crop.

Harvest just as the flower buds are forming for the most concentrated oils, flavor and fragrance. Apply a light application of the above fertilizer every four to six weeks, or after harvest.

Cut or pinch Purple Ruffles just above a leaf or pair of leaves, removing no more than one-fourth of the plant. This leaves enough foliage to keep the plant healthy and looking good in the landscape.

Simple air-drying produces tasty Purple Ruffles basil for use all winter. Rinse the leaves in cool water and gently shake off extra moisture.

When thoroughly dry, tie a handful of stems firmly into a bundle. Place the bundle in a paper bag, gather the top of the bag around the stems and tie again. Label, then hang the bag in a dry place where the temperature doesn't get above 80 degrees. After two to four weeks, the herbs should be dry and crumbly.

Once basil is dried, store it in an airtight container in a cool, dark cupboard. Keep the leaves whole if possible to preserve the oils; crush or grind only when using them.

For a fresh homemade pesto try:

- 1/2 cup of extra virgin olive oil
- 2 cloves of garlic
- 2 cups of fresh Purple Ruffles basil leaves
- 1/2 cup of parsley

- 1/4 cup of toasted pine nuts
- 1/2 cup of Romano or Parmesan cheese

Place all ingredients in a food processor and puree. For best flavor, use immediately. Garden centers are loaded with Purple Ruffles transplants just waiting for your visit this weekend.

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Champ

now school comes first. She comes home each day and must finish her homework before she goes out to practice. She is a good student, says Michelle, and keeps up her grades.

After completing homework she is right out the door to the goal post that her grandmother bought her for practicing at home.

It is that kind of dedication that makes Aaliyah stand out from the crowd, said Williams.

"She is a magnificent player with great potential," said Williams. "She puts her heart into her playing, everything she has. She plays as well as a teenager... I have 15 and 16 year olds who don't play as

well."

Williams has been organizing, coaching and mentoring children on basketball teams at Valena C. Jones for 16 years.

Teams play between December and March, with practice each evening and games on the weekend.

Williams said he would like to have a summer program but because the gym has no cooling system, it is impossible to have teams during the warmer months.

"I would love to run a summer program," said Williams. "But I haven't been able to find any funding for an air conditioning system. We have to pick a team or two and travel over to Slidell to play

in a church program. This summer the Power House of Deliverance is sponsoring two teams."

This year the program attracted 213 local children who played on 23 teams, ranging in ages from 5 to 17 years old.

On Sunday, as is the custom every year, each child will be honored at a special awards banquet, this year held at the Hancock County Civic Center.

Some sponsors help defray the cost, but if funds fall short, Williams will still make sure the banquet goes on even if that means dipping into his own pockets. Each child deserves to feel special, he says.

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148 Mobile Homes For Rent

2BR/1BA TRAILER FOR RENT IN Kiln, Pet/free. 255-9397.

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149 Mobile Homes For Sale

14X65 MOBILE HOME ON 150X100 lot, 1 car garage, well & city sewage. \$25,000 or \$10,000 down & owner finance. 885-648-0539.

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150 Unfurn. Houses Rent

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151 Furn. Houses Rent

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156 Lots/Acreage

1/2 ACRE LOT IN HENLEY PL. in B.S.L. asking \$14,500. obo. 985-710-2031.

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158 Commercial Property

COMMERCIAL OR RESIDENTIAL, large 2 story building used as a church. 1804 Nicholson, Waveland, 467-3945.

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159 Houses For Sale

4BR/2BA NEAR YACHT CLUB BSL, \$139,500, 467-5062.

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PEARLINGTON: 4BR/2BA on 2 corner lots, high & dry, \$99,000. Coldwell Banker Coast Delta Realty. 255-9188.

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GLENN ALVIN SMITH, DECEASED

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS GLENN ALVIN SMITH Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 16th day of April, 2004, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Glenn Alvin Smith, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration by the clerk of said court, within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred. Dated: March 30, 2004

JOHN PAYNE SMITH

Executor of the Estate of Glenn Alvin Smith 04/22; 04/29; 5/6; 5/13/04

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SALVADORE PETER BENIGNO, DECEASED

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS SALVADORE PETER BENIGNO, DECEASED

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 16th day of April, 2004, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Salvatore Peter Benigno, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration by the clerk of said court, within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred. Dated: March 30, 2004

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF SALVADORE PETER BENIGNO, DECEASED

TO: Unknown heirs at law of Salvatore Peter Benigno in the matter of the estate of Salvatore Peter Benigno, deceased. You have been made a Defendant in the lawsuit filed in this Court by the Administrator. The Complaint filed against you has initiated a civil action being a Complaint to determine heirship, and approval of the account in the decedent's estate and seeking other relief. ANY PERSON claiming to be an heir at law of the above mentioned MARGIE P. CHANEY, Decedent is required to mail or hand-deliver a written answer to the complaint filed in this action to JACK PARSONS 324 E. Cavers Avenue, P.O. Box 6, Wiggins, MS 39577, attorney for the estate of MARGIE P. CHANEY, Decedent. YOUR ANSWER MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT. You must also file the original of your answer with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time thereafter. (SEAL) DATED: 4-5-04

TIM A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK BY: Larnell Scarborough DEPUTY CLERK POST OFFICE BOX 550 BAY ST. LOUIS, MS 39520 04/08; 04/15; 04/22/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FRANK CAIMI AKA FRANK CAIMI, JR., DECEASED

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 23rd day of March, 2004, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Frank Caimi AKA Frank Caimi, Jr., deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration by the clerk of said court, within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred. This 23rd day of March, A.D. 2004 Billie Stewart Caimi, AKA Billie S. Caimi, AKA Ann B. Caimi, AKA Billie Ann Caimi 04/01; 04/08; 04/15; 04/22/04

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF JOSEPH A. CAIMI, DECEASED.

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 5th day of April, 2004, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of JOSEPH A. CAIMI, DECEASED, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration by the clerk of said court, within 90 days from date of first publication of this Notice, or they will be forever barred. Witness my signature this 19th day of April, 2004. Rosemarie C. Caimi, Hymel ROSEMARIE ANN CAIMI HYMEL, Executrix of the Estate of Joseph A. Caimi, deceased

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Attorneys at Law P.O. Box 70 Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 04/22; 04/29; 05/06/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM D. HOLLAND, DECEASED

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 16th day of April, 2004, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of William D. Holland, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 31st day of March, 2004, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration by the clerk of said court, within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred. Dated: March 30, 2004

CHARLES CLAYTON HOLLAND

Thomas Wright Trust Attorney for Executor Post Office Box 359 Gulfport, Mississippi 39502-0359

Telephone 228-965-0092 Facsimile 228-965-9657 04/22; 04/29; 05/06/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CLARENCE KILBRIDE, DECEASED

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS CLARENCE KILBRIDE, DECEASED

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 16th day of April, 2004, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Clarence Kilbride, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration by the clerk of said court, within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred. Dated: March 30, 2004

JOHN PAYNE SMITH

Executor of the Estate of Clarence Kilbride 04/22; 04/29; 5/6; 5/13/04

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARGIE P. CHANEY, DECEASED

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS MARGIE P. CHANEY, DECEASED

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 16th day of April, 2004, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of MARGIE P. CHANEY, DECEASED, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration by the clerk of said court, within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred. Dated: March 30, 2004

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, Chancery Clerk BY: Larnell Scarborough DEPUTY CLERK POST OFFICE BOX 550 BAY ST. LOUIS, MS 39520 04/08; 04/15; 04/22/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PETER J. COMPAGNO, DECEASED

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 16th day of April, 2004, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Peter J. Compagno, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration by the clerk of said court, within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred. Dated: March 30, 2004

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO: Heirs-at-Law of Peter J. Compagno, deceased

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Peter J. Compagno, Plaintiff seeking ADJUDICATION OF THE HEIRS-AT-LAW OF Peter J. Compagno, deceased. Defendants other than you in this action are Gaetano U. Compagno, Joseph T. Compagno, Angela C. Chagnard, Elizabeth C. Fisher and Maria C. Roth, who are alleged to be the sole Heirs-at-Law of the Decedent.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 o'clock a.m. on the 14th day of May, 2004, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse, at 162 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 01 day of April, 2004. (SEAL)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, Chancery Clerk BY: D. L. Lee D.C. DEPUTY CLERK P.O. Box 550 Bay St. Louis, MS 39521 04/08; 04/15; 04/22/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI MOONYEEN M. HOWAT PLAINTIFF VS. HEIRS AT LAW OF CLARENCE KILBRIDE, DECEASED

DEFENDANTS

CAUSE NO. C2301-04-215(4)

PUBLICATION SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO: THE HEIRS AT LAW OF CLARENCE KILBRIDE, DECEASED

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 16th day of April, 2004, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of CLARENCE KILBRIDE, DECEASED, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration by the clerk of said court, within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred. Dated: March 30, 2004

CHARLES CLAYTON HOLLAND

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN RE: ESTATE OF EUGENE HUGHES
AKA EUGENE HUGHES, SR., DECEASED
CASE NO. C2301-04-925-1
SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: HEIRS-AT-LAW OF EUGENE HUGHES, AKA EUGENE HUGHES, SR., DECEASED
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT(S)
You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Eloise Thomas, Plaintiff, seeking ADJUDICATION OF THE HEIRS-AT-LAW OF EUGENE HUGHES, SR., DECEASED, and TO PARTITION REAL PROPERTY. Interested Parties other than you in this action are Donna Marie Collins, 1st Franklin Financial Corporation and Sarah Lawrence. You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 o'clock a.m. on the 14th day of May, 2004, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse, located at 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 01 day of April, 2004.

(Seal)
TIMOTHY A. KELLER, Chancery Clerk
BY: D. L. Lee
DEPUTY CLERK
P.O. Box 550
Bay St. Louis, MS 39521
(228) 467-5404
04/08; 04/15; 04/22/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN RE: ESTATE OF
GLORIA E. LEE, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. C-2301-03-965(1)
SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: A Heirs-at-Law of GLORIA E. LEE;
B) JOSEPH E. LEE, JR., whose present street, office and other whereabouts are unknown after diligent search and inquiry.
You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by SHAKIRA DIANE SHABAZZ, Plaintiff, seeking ADJUDICATION OF THE HEIRS-AT-LAW OF GLORIA E. LEE and ADJUDICATION THAT JOSEPH E. LEE, JR. IS DECEASED.

Defendants other than you in this action are SHAKIRA DIANE SHABAZZ, ALICE BOONE, BRENDA PAINNE, BLANCHE MOSELY, LINDA FAIRCONNETTE, and ROY FAIRCONNETTE, AKA LEE, DECEASED. You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 o'clock a.m. on the 14th day of May, 2004, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse, at 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 8 day of April, 2004.

(Seal)
TIMOTHY A. KELLER, Chancery Clerk
By: Larnell Scarborough
Deputy Clerk
P.O. Box 550
Bay St. Louis, MS 39521
(228) 467-5404
04/08; 04/15; 04/22/04

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
JOHN DARLING MEADERS, DECEASED
MELANIE D. CRADDOCK, ADMINISTRATRIX
CIVIL ACTION NO. C2301-04-141
SUMMONS

TO: Any and ALL Unknown Heirs (s) at Law of John Darling Meaders, Deceased Whose Names, Post Office Addresses and/or Street Addresses are Unknown After Diligent Search and Inquiry
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT(S)
THE PETITION WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THIS SUMMONS IS IMPORTANT AND YOU MUST TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS.

You have been made a Defendant in the Petition filed in this Court by Administratrix Melanie D. Craddock, and the other known heirs at law of John Darling Meaders, Deceased, Petitioners, seeking the Determination of Heirs in the above styled and numbered estate proceeding. You are summoned to appear and defend against said Petition filed in this matter at 9:30 o'clock a.m. on the 20th day of May, 2004, in the Chancery Court facilities of Hancock County at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 8 day of April, 2004.

(Seal)
Timothy A. Keller, Chancery Clerk
of Hancock County, Mississippi
P.O. Box 550
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228) 467-5404
04/15; 04/22; 05/06/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF
THE MINOR CHILD DESCRIBED HEREIN
MILLER AND
SARA MILLER
CAUSE NO. C2301-04-009(A3)
SUMMONS

TO: JOHN PAUL THORNHILL
You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Denny Miller and Sara Miller, Petitioners, seeking Adoption of a certain minor child. You are required to mail or hand-deliver a written response to the Petition for Adoption filed against you in this action to the Clerk of the Court, whose post office address is P.O. Box 551, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, 39521-3581, and whose street address is 10065 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, 39520.

Your response must be mailed or delivered not later than (30) days after the 8th day of April, 2004, which is the date that the Petition for Adoption was filed in this Court. If your response is not so mailed or delivered, a judgment by default will be entered against you for the money or other relief demanded in the petition. You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after said date.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 5 day of March, 2004.

(Seal)
TIMOTHY A. KELLER, Chancery Clerk
of Hancock County, Mississippi
By: L. Scarborough
Deputy Clerk
P.O. Box 550
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
04/08; 04/15; 04/22/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
PATRICIA MOORE
PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF
HERBERT MOORE, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. C2301-04-202(1)
SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF HERBERT MOORE, DECEASED
You have been made a Defendant in the estate filed in this Court by PATRICIA MOORE, Plaintiff, a civil action alleging that persons named in the complaint are the sole and only heirs at law of HERBERT MOORE, deceased, and seeking an adjudication of such heirship.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 O'clock A.M. on the 20th day of May, 2004, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Chancery Court at 1901 23rd Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi, 39501 and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after said date.

Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 13 day of April, 2004.

(Seal)
Timothy Keller Chancery Clerk
Bay St. Louis
Hancock County, MS 39520
By: D. L. Lee
Deputy Clerk
P.O. Box 550
04/15; 04/22; 04/29/04

Public Notices

NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, the United States of America, acting by and through the United States Department of Agriculture, is the owner and holder of the following real estate described hereinafter, situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.

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WHEREAS, default has occurred in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said deed of trust, and the United States of America, as Beneficiary, has authorized and instructed me as Substituted Trustee to foreclose said deed of trust by advertisement and sale at public auction in accordance with the statutes made and provided therefor.

Thereafter, notice is hereby given that pursuant to the power of sale contained in the deed of trust and in accordance with the statutes made and provided therefor, the said deed of trust will be foreclosed and the property covered thereby and hereinafter described will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the North front door of the County Courthouse in the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, in the afternoon of the 14th day of May, 2004, to satisfy the indebtedness now due under and secured by said deed of trust.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

The property to be sold is described as:
(SEE ATTACHED LEGAL DESCRIPTION)
April 22, 2004
Date

/s/ Carol M. Cowart
Carol M. Cowart
Substituted Trustee

Duly authorized to act in the premises by instrument dated August 21, 1996, and recorded in Book 1, Page 7, of the records of the Hancock County and State.

Lots 6 and 7, Block 2, Waveland Gateway, a subdivision according to the map or plat thereof on file and of record in Plat Book 2 at page 1 thereof in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, reference to which is hereby made in aid of this description.

4/22; 4/29; 5/6; 5/13/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN RE: ESTATE OF
ANABELLE T. PARSONS, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. C2301-04-266-3
EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
OF ANABELLE T. PARSONS

Letters testamentary having been granted on the 30 day of March, 2004, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Anabelle T. Parsons, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registration, or they will be forever barred. This 30 day of March, A.D., 2004.

GARY KNOBLOCK, EXECUTOR
Haas and Haas Attorneys
201 N. Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228) 467-5404
MS Bar No. 5091
04/08; 04/15; 04/22/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
HANCOCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
HUMAN SERVICES, BY ZADIE ROGERS,
SOCIAL SERVICES REGIONAL DIRECTOR,
AND BRIANNA MORGAN THOMAS, MINORS, BY
ZADIE ROGERS, PETITIONERS
VERSUS
THERESA ALICE THOMAS-RAY HARVISON
AND MAX WHEELER, RESPONDENTS
CIVIL ACTION, FILE NO. C2301-04-205(2)
SUMMONS

TO: Theresa Alice Thomas-Ray Harvison, who is not to be found and her last known post office address is Post Office Box 34, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521.

You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by the Hancock County Department of Human Services, by Zadie Rogers, Social Services Regional Director, and Neva Charmanne Thomas and Brianna Morgan Thomas, minors, seeking to terminate your parental rights as those rights relate to said minors and demanding that the full custody, control and authority to act on behalf of said minors be placed with the Hancock County Department of Human Services. Respondent other than you in this case is Max Wheeler.

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THE PETITION FILED IN THIS COURT BY THE HANCOCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, BY ZADIE ROGERS, SOCIAL SERVICES REGIONAL DIRECTOR, AND NEVA CHARMANNE THOMAS AND BRIANNA MORGAN THOMAS, MINORS, SEEKING TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AS THOSE RIGHTS RELATE TO SAID MINORS AND DEMANDING THAT THE FULL CUSTODY, CONTROL AND AUTHORITY TO ACT ON BEHALF OF SAID MINORS BE PLACED WITH THE HANCOCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES. Respondent other than you in this case is Max Wheeler.

YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO FILE AN ANSWER OR OTHER PLEADING, BUT YOU MAY DO SO IF YOU DESIRE. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 8 day of April, 2004.

(Seal)
TIMOTHY A. KELLER, CHANCERY CLERK
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
BY: Larnell Scarborough
DEPUTY CLERK
P.O. Box 550
Bay St. Louis, MS 39521
(228) 467-5404
04/15; 04/22; 04/29/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
PERRY L. ROACH
PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, MIKE MOORE IN HIS CAPACITY AS ATTORNEY
GENERAL FOR THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
CONO CARANNA, IN HIS CAPACITY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, BEATRICE BRUNS, BEATRICE BRUNS, CHRISTMAS AKA BEATRICE B. GATES, WALTER LEE GATES AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING A LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH WAS SOLD FOR COUNTY TAXES ON AUGUST 30, 2001 TO WIT: PT. W 1/2 OF SE 1/4 OF SW 1/4 SEC. 3-4-14, PARCEL NO. 162G-03-209-000, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, CAUSE NO. C2301-04-225(4)
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TO: HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, MIKE MOORE IN HIS CAPACITY AS ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, CONO CARANNA, IN HIS CAPACITY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, BEATRICE BRUNS, BEATRICE BRUNS, CHRISTMAS AKA BEATRICE B. GATES, WALTER LEE GATES AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING A LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH WAS SOLD FOR COUNTY TAXES ON AUGUST 30, 2001 TO WIT: PT. W 1/2 OF SE 1/4 OF SW 1/4 SEC. 3-4-14, PARCEL NO. 162G-03-209-000, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, CAUSE NO. C2301-04-225(4)
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

This is a suit by Perry L. Roach to quiet and confirm title in himself of that certain property legally described as PT. W 1/2 OF SE 1/4 OF SW 1/4 SEC. 3-4-14, PARCEL NO. 162G-03-209-000, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, originally conveyed to Perry L. Roach by being the highest bidder and best bidder for Hancock County Ad Valorem taxes at a tax sale held on August 30, 2001 and obtaining a Chancery Court Conveyance on December 22, 2003, as more fully set out in the Complaint to Quiet and Confirm Title which is on file in the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi in the above cause number. If you have a legal or equitable claim or interest in this property, you are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of your response to the Complaint to Confirm Title to the attorney for the Plaintiff, Lewis G. Negro IV, Esq., whose address is 114 W. Third Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. THIS RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE 6TH DAY OF APRIL, 2004, WHICH IS THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after said date. The address of the Clerk of this Court is P.O. Box 550, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. (SEAL)

Timothy A. Keller, Chancery Clerk
of Hancock County, Mississippi
P.O. Box 550
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
By: D. L. Lee
Deputy Clerk
P.O. Box 550
04/08; 04/15; 04/22/04

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
DIAMONDHEAD COUNTRY CLUB AND
PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
PLAINTIFFS
VERSUS
DANIEL J. POLIZZI, IF LIVING, AND THE
HEIRS AT LAW OF BENEFICIARIES OF THE
ESTATE OF DANIEL J. POLIZZI, IF
DECEASED, DENVER L. GLAZIER, NADINE
GLAZIER, IF LIVING, AND THE HEIRS AT LAW
OF BENEFICIARIES OF THE ESTATE OF
DENVER L. GLAZIER AND NADINE GLAZIER,
IF DECEASED, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, CONO CARANNA, DISTRICT ATTORNEY
FOR HANCOCK COUNTY; THE STATE
OF MISSISSIPPI, AND ANY AND ALL
PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE
ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN AND
TO THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE
COMPLAINT
NO. C2301-04-257(3)
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TO: DANIEL J. POLIZZI, IF LIVING, AND THE HEIRS AT LAW OF BENEFICIARIES OF THE ESTATE OF DANIEL J. POLIZZI, IF DECEASED, DENVER L. GLAZIER, NADINE GLAZIER, IF LIVING, AND THE HEIRS AT LAW OF BENEFICIARIES OF THE ESTATE OF DENVER L. GLAZIER AND NADINE GLAZIER, IF DECEASED, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, CONO CARANNA, DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY; THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN AND TO THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT.

ALL OF WHICH PARTIES NAMES, ADDRESSES AND POST OFFICE BOXES ARE UNKNOWN AFTER DILIGENT SEARCH AND INQUIRY. You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Diamondhead Country Club and Property Owners Association, Inc., Plaintiff, seeking to confirm title to certain real property located in Hancock County, Mississippi, being more particularly described as:

Parcel 1
Lots 12 and 13, Block 13, Unit 7, DIAMONDHEAD, Phase 2, as per map or plat of said subdivision on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, reference to which is hereby made in aid of this description.

Parcel 2
Lots 55, Block 4, Unit 7, DIAMONDHEAD, Phase 2, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, reference to which is hereby made in aid of this description.

The other Defendants in this action are the State of Mississippi, Hancock County, Mississippi, the District Attorney of Hancock County, Cono Caranna.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the complaint to the Clerk of this Court, who is the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, at 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, 39521, on or before the 15th day of April, 2004.

YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO FILE AN ANSWER OR OTHER PLEADING, BUT YOU MAY DO SO IF YOU DESIRE. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 15 day of April, 2004.

(Seal)
Timothy Keller
Larnell Scarborough
Deputy Clerk of Hancock County, MS
04/15; 04/22; 04/29/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF E. PATRICIA ROTOLO, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. C2301-04-329(3)
EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
OF E. PATRICIA ROTOLO

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 14th day of April, 2004, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of E. Patricia RotoLO, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registration, or they will be forever barred. This 14th day of April, 2004.

JOSEPH ROTOLO, SR.
Executor of the Estate of E. Patricia RotoLO
04/22; 4/29; 5/6; 5/13/04

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on September 24, 1999, Geoffrey P. Burgess and Donna O. Burgess, executed a Deed of Trust to Dennis Hollifield, Trustee for the use and benefit of Hancock County, Mississippi, in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, in the Deed of Trust Book 567 at Page 567 of the records of the Hancock County, Mississippi, reference to which is hereby made in aid of this description.

WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was ultimately assigned to Credit Based Asset Servicing and Securitization, LLC, by assignment on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Book 706 at Page 514 thereof; and
WHEREAS, the property described in said Deed of Trust is located in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:
Beginning 778.12 feet East of the NW corner of Lot 14 of N 1/4 of First Addition, to the City of South, Range 14 West, place of beginning: thence running South 317 feet to a stake; thence 104 feet East; thence 317 feet North; thence 104 feet West to place of beginning. I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 14th day of April, 2004.

GERALD M. WARREN, Attorney
P.O. Box 1526
Gulfport, MS 39502
04/22; 04/29; 05/06/04

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE
WHEREAS, on June 28, 2001, JAMES HENRY GLADNEY and ETHEL T. GLADNEY executed and delivered a Deed of Trust to Harry R. Allen, Trustee, for HANCOCK BANK, which Deed of Trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 84 at Page 462 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and
WHEREAS, HANCOCK BANK appointed Gerald M. Warren as Substituted Trustee by instrument dated March 26, 2004, and recorded in Deed of Trust Book 823 at Page 744 of the aforesaid records; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the conditions and stipulations as set forth by said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust to do, notice is hereby given that I, Lem Adams, III, Substituted Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust, will offer for sale and will sell at public sale and out to the highest and best bidder for cash, during the legal hours of the day, to-wit: 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m. at the North front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 14th day of May, 2004, the following described land and property being the same land and property described in said Deed of Trust, situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:
Lots 18 and 19, Block 16, Von Droszkowsky's First Addition to the Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official map or plat of said subdivision on file and of record in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi.

Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, on this 12th day of April, 2004.

LEM ADAMS, III
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE
PREPARED BY: ADAMS & EDENS
Foreclosure Department
POST OFFICE BOX 400
BRANDON, MISSISSIPPI 39043
(601) 825-9508
04/22; 04/29; 05/06; 05/13/04

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on October 17, 2001, Kalina Haynes, a single woman, executed a Deed of Trust to Lem Adams, III, Trustee for the use and benefit of Optima One Mortgage Corporation, which Deed of Trust is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust Book 860 at Page 727, and
WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was ultimately assigned to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee for registered holders of Optima One Mortgage Loan Trust 2001-D, Asset Backed Certificates, Series 2001-D, by assignment on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Book 749 at Page 798 thereof; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the conditions and stipulations as set forth by said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust to do, notice is hereby given that I, Lem Adams, III, Substituted Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust, will offer for sale and will sell at public sale and out to the highest and best bidder for cash, during the legal hours of the day, to-wit: 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m. at the North front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 23rd day of April, 2004, the following described land and property being the same land and property described in said Deed of Trust, situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:
Lot 28 and the West 30 feet of Lot 30, Rear Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, as per the official plat of said city and rear ward thereof made by E.S. Drake, C.E., and filed in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, on May 1, 1923.

Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, on this 23rd day of March, 2004.

LEM ADAMS, III
TRUSTEE
PREPARED BY: ADAMS & EDENS
Foreclosure Department
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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE
SALE OF LAND
WHEREAS, Stanley Jude Dunning executed that certain Deed of Trust to Harry R. Allen, Trustee, for the use and benefit of HANCOCK BANK, dated January 14, 2000 and filed for record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on January 14, 2000 and recorded in Deed of Trust Book 579 at Page 128; and
WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was assumed by John E. Nordmark and Chetler Chetler in Assumption Warranty Deed dated September 10, 2001 and recorded in Deed Book 88283 at Page 789; and
WHEREAS, HANCOCK BANK appointed and substituted Donnie D. Riley as Substituted Trustee in place and instead of Harry R. Allen as was their right to do under the terms of said Deed of Trust, said Substitution of Trustee being dated March 26, 2004 and filed for record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on March 31, 2004 and recorded in Deed of Trust Book 824 at Page 653.

WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust and the entire debt secured having been declared due and payable in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, HANCOCK BANK, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust for the purpose of raising sums due thereunder together with attorneys' fees and expenses of sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned Substituted Trustee, pursuant to the authority and the request so made hereby give notice that I will sell during the legal hours of the day, to-wit: 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., on the 14th day of May, 2004, at the main front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest and best bidder the following described land and property being the same land and property described in said Deed of Trust, situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:
Lots 45, 46 and 47, Block 142, Bayada Park Subdivision, Unit No. 2, a subdivision of Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

THIS SALE will be held without covenant or warranty of title, possession, improvements, encumbrances or otherwise, and I, the undersigned, Substituted Trustee, will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 13th day of April, 2004.
Donnie D. Riley, Substituted Trustee
04/22; 04/29; 05/06; 05/13/04

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on the 30th day of December 1999, ALICE L. FANT, A SINGLE PERSON, executed a Deed of Trust to the Hancock County National Association, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described which said Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in the Deed of Trust Record Book 577 at Page 471; and
WHEREAS, on the 12th day of April, A.D., 2004, the Beneficiary appointed J. Ward Conville as Substituted Trustee, which instrument is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust Record Book 821 Page 282; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of a portion of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the indebtedness to do, notice is hereby given that I, J. Ward Conville, Substituted Trustee, will offer for sale and will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, at the Main Door of the Hancock County Courthouse located in the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, on the 14th day of May, 2004, the following described real property, situated and being in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:
SEE EXHIBIT "A" attached hereto, together with all improvements and appurtenances thereunto belonging.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on this, the 28th day of March, 2004.

J. Ward Conville,
Substituted Trustee

"EXHIBIT A"
COMMENCING at the intersection of the East line of Nacola Avenue and the South line of Easterbrook Street; thence South 70 degrees East along the South line of Easterbrook Street a distance of 98 feet to a fence corner; thence South 70 degrees East along Easterbrook Street a distance of 168 feet to a fence corner; thence South 20 degrees West a distance of 79 feet along a fence line to an iron pin in a fence corner; thence North 70 degrees West along a fence line a distance of 79 feet along a fence line to an iron pin on a fence corner and the place of beginning; being a part of the Subdivision of the City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official plat of said city on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

04/08; 04/15; 04/22; 04/29/04

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WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the conditions and stipulations as set forth by said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust to do, notice is hereby given that I, Lem Adams, III, Substituted Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust, will offer for sale and will sell at public sale and out to the highest and best bidder for cash, during the legal hours of the day, to-wit: 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m. at the North front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 23rd day of April, 2004, the following described land and property being the same land and property described in said Deed of Trust, situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:
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Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, on this 23rd day of March, 2004.

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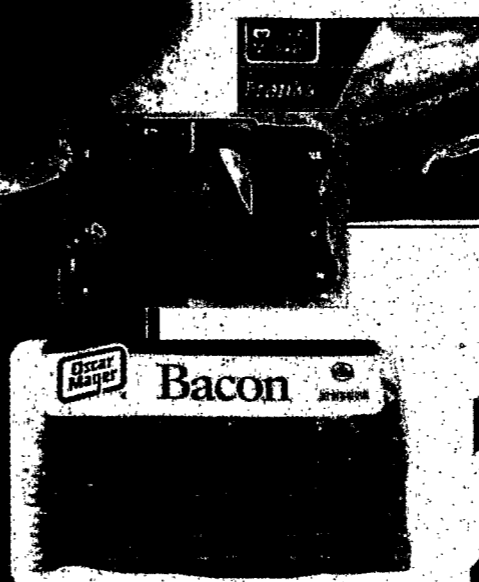
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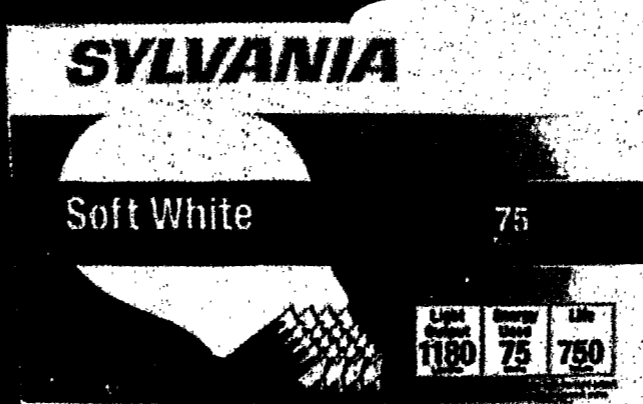


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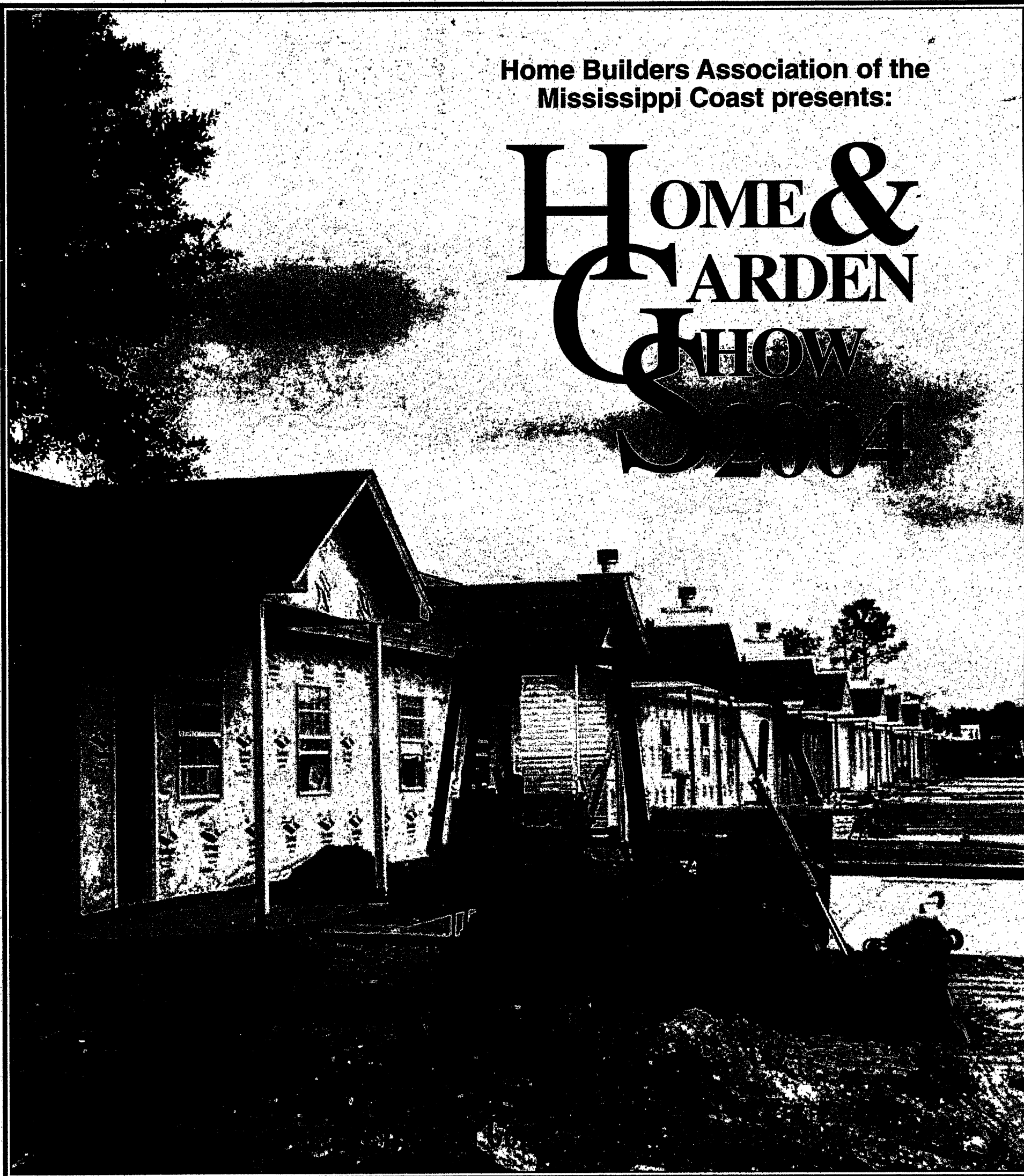


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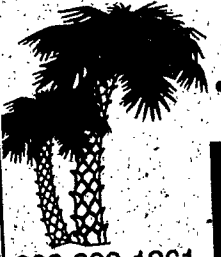
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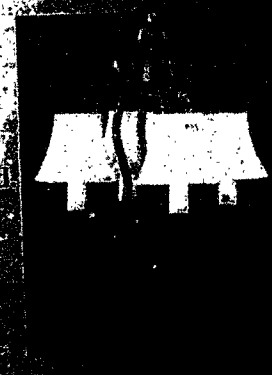
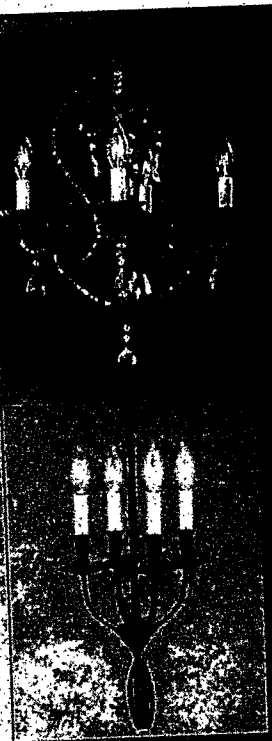


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On Friday, the show is open to VIP's only from 7-9 p.m. On Saturday, it's open to the public from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and on Sunday from noon to 5 p.m.

General admission is \$5 for adults 18 and older; \$2.50 for kids ages 13-17. Children 12 and under will be admitted for free, and there's no charge for parking.

The 2004 Home and Garden Show will feature vendors from all areas of the home building, buying and decorating industry, including contractors, mortgage specialists, furniture dealers and many more, including the following:

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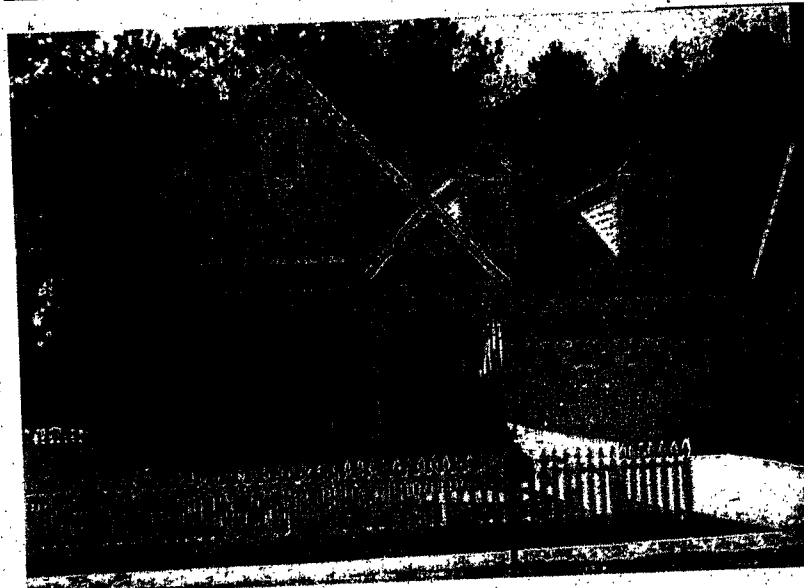


This housing development in Waveland is one of dozens of new subdivisions currently under construction all across the Coast. The Home Builders Association of the Mississippi Coast's Home and Garden Show will feature vendors from all areas of the home building industry.

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IN THE BEDROOM

- Keep beds away from windows and curtains to prevent strangulation and falls.
- Secure dressers to walls and keep drawers closed since they can topple if a child climbs into one.
- Install a carbon-monoxide detector. Exposure to this gas can be fatal.

IN THE BATH

- Never leave your baby alone as he can drown in just two inches of water.
- Place a rubber mat or no-slip strip on the tub floor. Also put a nonskid rug or mat on the floor next to the

tub.

- Be sure to wipe up any water that has splashed out.
- Don't rely on bath rings to keep your baby afloat — your child can go underwater if they slip.
- Lock up all cabinets, razors, scissors, toiletries and appliances.

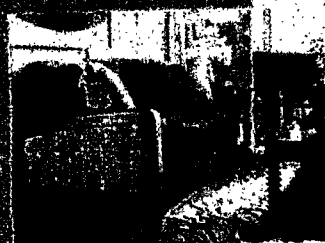
IN THE KITCHEN

- Use childproof latches on all cabinet doors.
- Lock up poisonous cleaners and other dangerous items.

- Make sure that cords, glass and sharp objects aren't left near the edges of counters and tables.
- Use your stove's back burners and turn all pot handles toward the back.

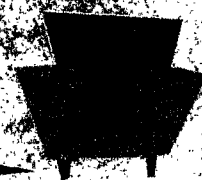
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Today's Hardwood Floors Offer Home Owners Versatile Interior Design Choices

If you're planning a renovation or remodeling project, decorating and remodeling magazines are a great place to start. In each issue, you can browse through pages and pages of beautiful homes to collect inspiration and ideas on the furnishings and colors that best reflect your own personal lifestyle. Interestingly, there's one design element many of these homes share — hardwood floors.

"Wood is quickly gaining popularity as the flooring of choice for any room in the home," says Bill Clossin, vice president of marketing at Harris Tarkett, a major manufacturer of hardwood floors. "The wide variety of species and colors available today allow wood to crossover design and styling boundaries. And the good news for homeowners is that most of the floors shown in their magazines can be found or duplicated at their



WIDE-PLANK HARDWOOD FLOORS in deep, rich dark tones are an ideal complement to the traditional furnishings in the master bedroom of this renovated Victorian. The floor is Harris Tarkett's Longstrip Grand Vistas in Yuma Oak Sable and the homeowners installed it throughout the house as a sophisticated foundation for their collections of art and antiques.

"The advantage of floors in dark colors is that they are an excellent complement to traditional and contemporary interiors," Clossin says. "They provide a sophisticated background for neutral color palettes as well as bold, bright colors."

Consumers who want to duplicate these floors should consider Harris Tarkett's Grand Vistas Collection in Yuma Oak Sable in a 7 1/2-inch width or Coach House Hickory in Leather, available in a 5-inch width.

Decorating magazines devoted to country living appeal to many homeowners whether they live in the country or the city.

"Many of these homes date back decades if not centuries, with floors as old as the original structures," Clossin says. "But duplicating the beauty and patina of timeworn floors is easier than ever." His company recently introduced Crossroads, a collection of floors that recreate the distressed look of aged lumber, adding instant heritage to any interior.

A number of periodicals focus on specific rooms in the home, like kitchens. One magazine recently showed several kitchens, each with its own distinct look and a hardwood floor.

The first one featured a small, contemporary space with a unique mix of materials that included limestone tiles, concrete countertops, stainless steel appliances, rich cherry cabinets and a

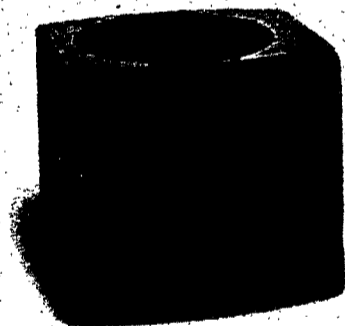
light wood floor. To duplicate this look, homeowners might select maple, a wood that is naturally light and one of the most popular species after oak. Two options from the American Collection are Prescott Valley Maple Natural or Acadia Maple Natural.

Another kitchen featured a large, open plan that encompassed the kitchen, the breakfast area and the family room. The floor was oak in a honey tone.

While oak is a good choice for a kitchen, homeowners who want a more distinctive look might consider exotic species or floors with more grain character. Options include Glen Allen Ash Wheat from the Vintage Collection or Spotted Gum or Australian Cypress from the company's Passport: Australia collection.

"Thanks to today's tough factory finishes, hardwood has become the easy-care flooring choice for kitchens," says Clossin. "There's a wood floor to complement every cabinet style, whether it's a popular cherry or a fresh, painted finish."

After collecting a portfolio of ideas, spend some time on the Web researching the various flooring options. Next, visit your local retailer to see actual samples and to review pricing and installation options. "The retailer's expert advice will help you determine which hardwood floor is right for your particular needs and budget," Clossin adds.



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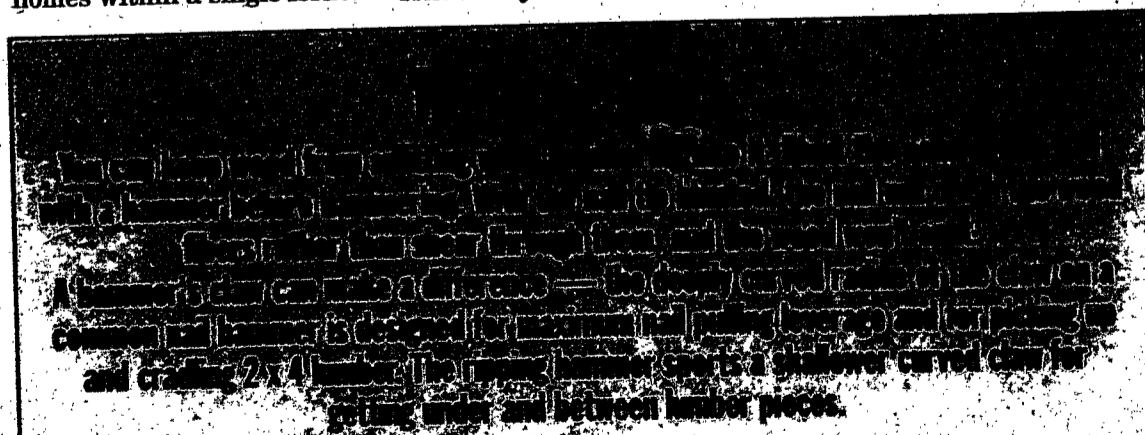
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local floor covering retailer."

Although the most popular wood flooring choice is oak in a natural color, there are a variety of other options that allow consumers to make a more personal design statement in their homes.

One recurring look in magazines is the use of wide plank floors in deep, rich, dark tones. The floors are often found in a number of homes within a single issue.



Save Time With Easy Painting Pointers

The walls and ceilings throughout a home usually form the backdrop for room furnishings, drapes and other decorations. Choosing a color can be hard enough, but choosing the right kind of paint can be just as important. Some people prefer a water-based matte finish, others like something oil-based and glossy, while still some prefer a textured look. At a home center, it's easy to get overwhelmed by aisle after aisle of paints and equipment. Following are some hints for navigating your way through the paint options, courtesy of "Decorating Hints & Tips" (DK), by Julian Cassell and Peter Parham.

TYPES OF PAINT

No matter how many different varieties there are, they all fit into a number of broad categories. In general, water-based paints are the most popular because they're relatively easy to work with and dry quickly.

- Flat latex paint is water-based and has a dull, matte finish. It remains one of the more popular options because it's user-friendly — easy to work with and low odor. Flat latex is suitable for all walls and ceilings, especially those freshly plastered, since it allows the plaster to dry out thoroughly.

- Vinyl flat latex is water-based, but it's easier to clean

than traditional flat latex paint; it dries to a wipeable-matte finish. It's also more durable — suitable for all walls — since the paint's matte properties help to conceal many surface imperfections.

- Vinyl gloss latex paint is water-based and quick-drying. It dries to high sheen. The gloss finish makes washing easy, and makes the paint a good choice for kitchens and bathrooms. It also can be used for all walls and ceilings.

- Store-brand flat latex is a paint created by most major paint stores and home-improvement stores — a brand exclusive to that store. This paint is an ideal choice for achieving a traditional flat paint finish on all interior surfaces.

- Semigloss paint is oil-based and dries to a medium sheen. Although many brands are available, some have less of an odor, and are more user-friendly than others. This paint particularly is suitable for high-wear areas.

- Quick-drying semigloss paint is a water-based acrylic type of semigloss. Typically a low-odor item, it also is washable and dries to a medium sheen. Some brands contain fungicides to fight mold and mildew buildup — making it another good choice for kitchens and bathrooms.

- Textured paint is a water-based thick matte. It can be left plain or painted over, and can have a pattern

superimposed. Textured paint is very durable and ideal for concealing surface imperfections and small cracks.

MEASURE TWICE

No matter which type of paint you choose, accuracy when estimating the amount you need will save you money and reduce waste. Calculate the surface areas of walls by multiplying the height of a room from the ceiling to the floor (or baseboard) by the entire length of the perimeter of the floor. Use the same dimensions to calculate the surface area of the ceiling. Do not subtract the areas of doors, windows and extras like molding, wall or window recesses, pillars and covered beams from your calculations. This way, you can be sure that you will have paint left over for any necessary touch ups later on. Also, remember that most walls will require two coats of paint.

SAFETY FIRST

As with any home-improvement project, safety always should be the one of your first and foremost concerns. Here are some safety pointers to consider:

- Prevent injury — be sure to store painting materials and tools away from children and pets. Many products contain chemicals that may be harmful to the body.

- Follow instructions — read all manufacturers' guidelines with regard to

proper use of materials and equipment before you begin your project.

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With the hot summer weather fast approaching, now seems a good time to think about attic ventilation. Proper attic ventilation is needed both in the summer and winter months, but in this article, we will focus on summer.

A properly vented attic allows your home to breathe, drawing cool air through soffit vents and exhausting hot and/or humid air through ridge or gable vents. In the summertime, the sun's heat can cause the air inside an unvented attic to reach temperatures of 150 degrees Fahrenheit or hotter.

When this happens, the insulation in the attic becomes a "heat sink", gradu-

ally absorbing the heat and passing it on to the cooler living spaces below. In homes that are air conditioned, the super-hot attic temperatures require the air conditioner to work overtime in order to cool the living area of the home. This situation is nearly as bad as having no insulation at all.

The solution to this problem is to exhaust the heated air before it can build up. This is where good attic ventilation comes into play. By providing good attic ventilation, you can reduce the temperature in your attic and lower your cooling bills significantly.

Let us begin by pointing out some ventilation basics. Ventilating a roof requires making a path for air to move between the roof deck

and the insulation. Natural (or passive) ventilation occurs when cool air enters the lower vents, is warmed, then rises and moves out the upper vents, exhausting heat and humidity.

The most effective way for air to enter a roof is through vents that are placed in the soffits. Continuous soffit strip vents provide the most reliable port for intake air, while rectangular vents are next in reliability. Round ventilator plugs are easy to install, but usually are too small to provide adequate airflow. The important thing is to maintain at least 2 inches of clearance between the underside of the roof deck and all insulation. This is where insulation baffles come into play; they ensure a clear pathway for air to trav-

el between the rafters.

Outgoing, or stale air escapes through ridge vents at the peak of the roof, box-type vents near the top of the roof, or gable vents on the end walls. The preferred type of vents for a pitched roof, are continuous ridge vents, while box-type gravity vents are best installed where ridge vents are not feasible, such as a hip roof.

For houses that have open attics and insulated attic floors, vents located in the gable ends may suffice if the openings are large enough. Cable vents can also be used in finished attics above an insulated flat ceiling.

The amount of area needed to provide for roof ventilation depends on whether or not the ceiling has a vapor barrier.

If there is a vapor barrier, allow one square foot of free ventilating area for every 150 square feet of attic floor area. If there is no vapor barrier, double this amount. The total free ventilating area must be divided between the intake and exhaust ports equally.

Because of the thickness of vanes or wires in a venting device reduces the airspace, use oversized vents to compensate.

Your 84 Lumber professional can advise you as to which vents would be appro-

priate for or your situation.

Proper attic ventilation not only keeps your home cool in the summer months by allowing the warm humid attic air to properly escape, but is also imperative in the winter to stop moisture from building up and damaging not only your insulation, but ceilings and walls in your home. Remember, a well-designed vent allows air to enter and escape, but keeps out rain and snow.

Steve Geyer, a Purchasing Agent for or 84 Lumber tells us, "At 84 Lumber stores, we stock The Shinglevent II manufactured by Airvent products. The Shinglevent II has an internal weather filter which is designed to help protect the attic from wind-driven rain and snow and is backed by a lifetime warranty." Today's ventilation products come in a variety of styles. "84 Lumber stores stock Lomanco brand aluminum slantbacks in various colors to coordinate with the appearance of your home", says Steve.

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Insects Can Be Beneficial

If you've taken a close look at your garden lately, you may have noticed that certain insect life has taken up residence amongst your impatiens and pansies. The wrong insects can wreak havoc on your plants. However, by encouraging the right insects to move in you can continue to maintain a healthy, blooming garden.

Many common insects can act as a natural pesticide for the villainous foes of plant life. According to The University of Georgia College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences, nat-

ural enemies are an important component of integrated pest management — and a more economically sound option as well. Here is a brief listing of some beneficial garden insects: Ladybug: It feeds on aphids, chinch bugs, whiteflies, and mites, as well as many other soft-bodied insects and their eggs.

Praying Mantis: It enjoys a wide range of pests, including aphids, flies, and beetles.

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- To determine the size you need, make a list of all the functions you would like your structure to serve.

- Partition the structure if you have a variety of needs such as shed requirements

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- In selecting a location, be aware of access to natural light, ventilation and electricity and water (in case you need a hose or want to plumb it).

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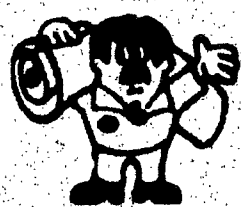


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Don't Let Arsenic Ruin Your Backyard Fun

Do you enjoy hosting family get-togethers outdoors on your backyard deck? Do the neighborhood children look to your yard and expansive playground swing set as the perfect after-school and weekend retreat? Isn't gathering around that picnic table for a hot-off-the-grill burger and hot dog the ideal way to spend a lazy Sunday afternoon? It is, but not if arsenic is lurking in your yard.

Unfortunately, common wood products found in your backyard, including decks, playground equipment, tables and other structures pose a potential threat your family. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), researchers and public health officials have uncovered new information about the health hazards posed by the use of arsenic in pressure-treated wood used to build outdoor items — the same items your family enjoys everyday. Green wood is treated with arsenic to improve its durability and to keep out bugs. Over time, the chemical can seep into the ground around wood structures. Should you rely on well water, this arsenic also can potentially contaminate your drinking water.

Your children are susceptible to such contamination. According to the Environmental Working Group (EWG) Arsenic sticks to children's hands when they play on treated wood, and is absorbed through the skin and ingested when they put their hands in their mouths. Based on the average arsenic level detected in lumber from local home-improvement warehouse stores, the EWG estimates that one of every 500 children who regularly play on playground equipment or decks made from pressure-treated wood can be expected to develop cancer later in life as a result of this exposure.

Arsenic does not generally



SUMMER is full of outdoor activities like get-togethers on the backyard deck or an afternoon playing with the kids on the family playground. Such activities are fun, but not if arsenic is lurking in your backyard's wood products like decks, playground equipment, tables and other structures.

cause immediate short-term effects, however it causes cancer in the long term, which is why it has come under increasing scientific scrutiny and restriction. It is the only known human carcinogen currently approved for use as a pesticide. According to the National Academy of Sciences, exposure to arsenic causes lung, bladder and skin cancer in humans, and is suspected as a cause of kidney, prostate and nasal passage cancer.

In February 2002, former EPA Administrator Christie Whitman announced a voluntary decision by the industry to move consumer use of treated lumber products away from a variety of pressure-treated wood containing arsenic. Her efforts have worked. Now, the agency prohibits use of treated wood products for any residential purposes. While this initiative is ideal for new wood products on the market, it does not address the numerous "older" structures that are found in backyards across the country. The EWG found that older wooden structures contain just as much arsenic — and are therefore just as dangerous — as newly treated wood.

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Feel Good Gardening Tips: Plant a Row For The Hungry

Just sitting down to eat breakfast? These statistics might make you look at your bacon and eggs in a new way: 33 million Americans — including 13 million children — don't get enough to eat. And those numbers are on the rise. Last year, the majority of food banks saw an increase in requests for hunger assistance.

But there is some good news: the fight against hunger is gaining momentum. Gardeners across the country — maybe even in your backyard — are joining a nationwide campaign designed to dramatically increase the amount of fresh food made available to those who need it. It's called Plant a Row for the Hungry — a campaign that urges each of the nation's gardeners to plant an extra row of vegetables to contribute to local organizations that distribute food.

Launched by members of the Garden Writers Association (GWA) in 1994, the movement is reaping benefits by the bushelful. Since its inception, Plant a Row has generated more than 6.7 million pounds of food for neighborhood food banks, soup kitchens and

homeless shelters.

"We started Plant A Row to encourage existing gardeners to get involved," says project administrator Carol Ledbetter. "Now we also have numerous schools, garden clubs, community gardens and others that have joined our program to help address the critical issue of hunger in their communities."

For gardeners, planting an extra row or two is a small gesture that can pay off in a big way, particularly for the many families each year who are turned away from food banks because of a lack of resources.

In addition to simply planting more, an effective way to increase a garden's yield is to garden smarter. To get the most from a garden, experts suggest conditioning the soil by digging 2 inches of Canadian sphagnum peat moss into the top 6 inches of dirt. Peat moss holds water and reduces the leaching of fertilizer into groundwater and streams, which saves money and protects the environment. It loosens clay soil, adds body to sandy soil and promotes plant growth, resulting in a bountiful crop of vegetables. And getting more from your garden

means that you'll have more to give to those who need it.

"Whether you are young or old, a veteran gardener or a novice, everyone can help the less fortunate through Plant A Row participation," Ledbetter says. "It's the people-helping-people relationship that makes the effort so fulfilling and continues to expand the program every year."

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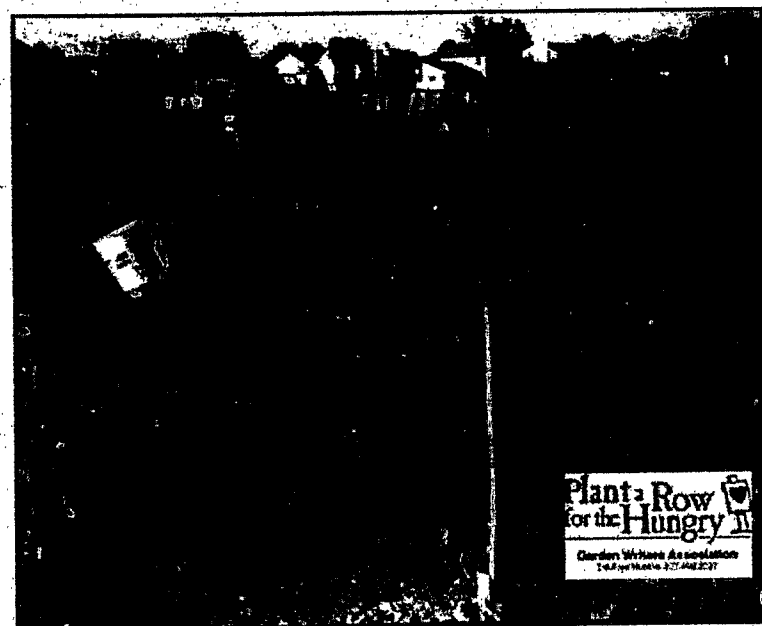
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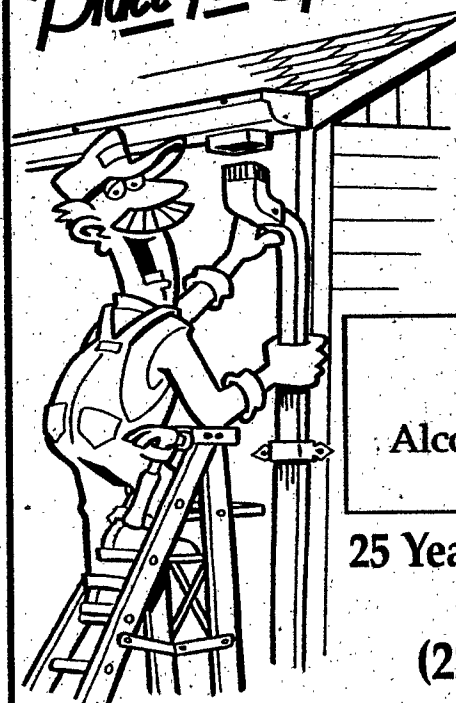
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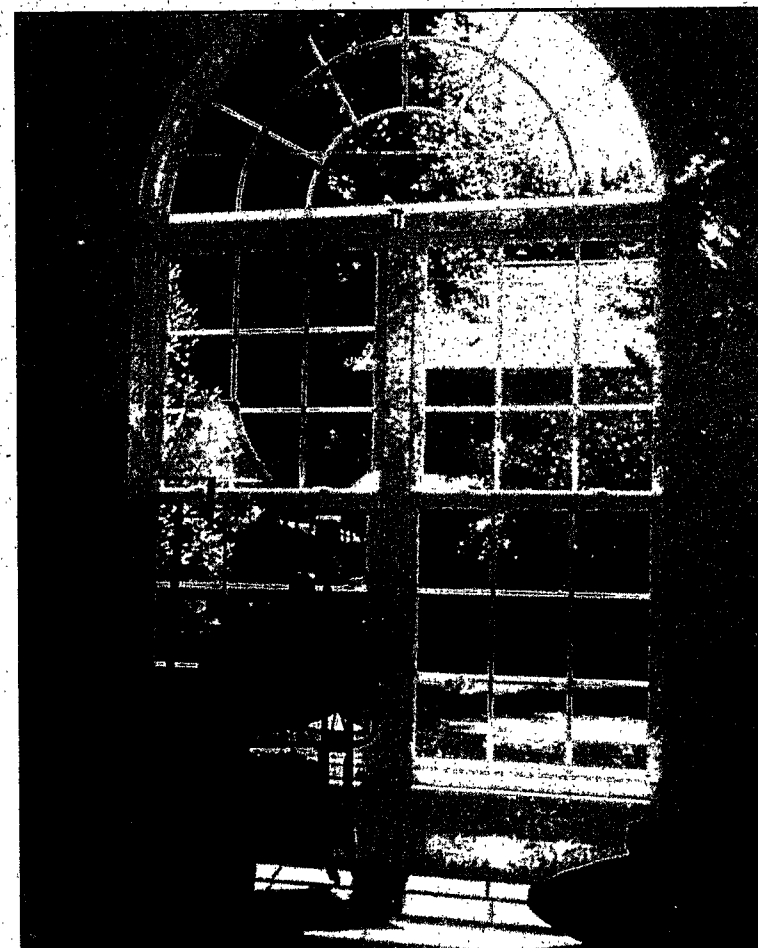
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Volunteers from Casino Magic Bay St. Louis help renovate a home during last year's Christmas In April in Hancock County.

Christmas in April kicks off Saturday in Hancock County

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

The Christmas in April project in Hancock County will take place on Saturday, April 24, according to spokesperson Margaret Hadden. This is a day when groups of volunteers get together to repair and rehabilitate the homes of low-income elderly and disabled.

In case you are interested as how Christmas in April came to Hancock County, it was really through the efforts of Margaret Hadden.

She was active in Christmas in April in Harrison County, and in

1996, when she retired, she got together with several others from Hancock County, and Christmas in April was able to be formed here as an affiliate of Harrison County.

The first year of the program in Hancock saw three homes receiving facelifts. Since then there have been years when as many as a dozen homeowners have been helped in small and large ways.

Hadden is still actively involved in the Christmas in April program, and will be working on Saturday right along with dozens of other volunteers from several area

business, government and civic organizations.

Pass Tour of Homes

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The Pass Christian Historical Society will host its annual tour of homes on May 2. The tour is particularly important this year because proceeds will help to defray the expenses the Society has incurred with the acquisition and preservation of the Old Town Library, the most historic public building in Pass Christian. Anything you could do to help us publicize the tour would be greatly appreciated.

The Pass Christian Historical Society (a non-profit organization designated 501(c)(3) by the Internal Revenue Service), will host its annual Tour of Homes on Sunday, May 2, 2004, from 1:30 to 5:00 p.m. This event allows the public the rare opportunity to see inside of some of Pass Christian's most beautiful and historic homes.

This year, five homes will be open for tour. Additionally, the Old Town Library, recently acquired by the Historical Society, will be open to the public for the first time in nearly ten years.

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If you need any further information, please call Richard Ward, President Pass Christian Historical Society at 452-2014.

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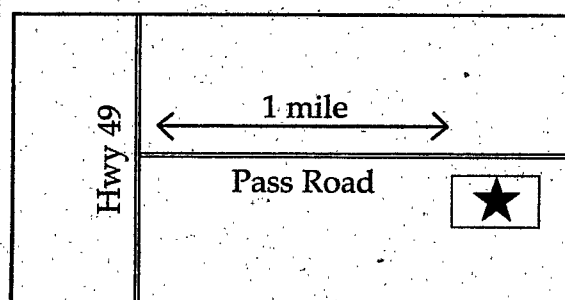
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Pearlington Cemetery Cleanup set for May 1

The Pearlington Cemetery Association will hold a cleanup on Saturday, May 1, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Any help will be appreciated. For more information, call 7790.

Boat Safety Course

The Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 12, will be conducting a boat safety course on Tuesday, April 27, from 7-9 p.m. at the Gulfport Guard Station, Hwy 49, Gulfport. For more information, call J.J. Johnson at 467-7790 or 216-2909.

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